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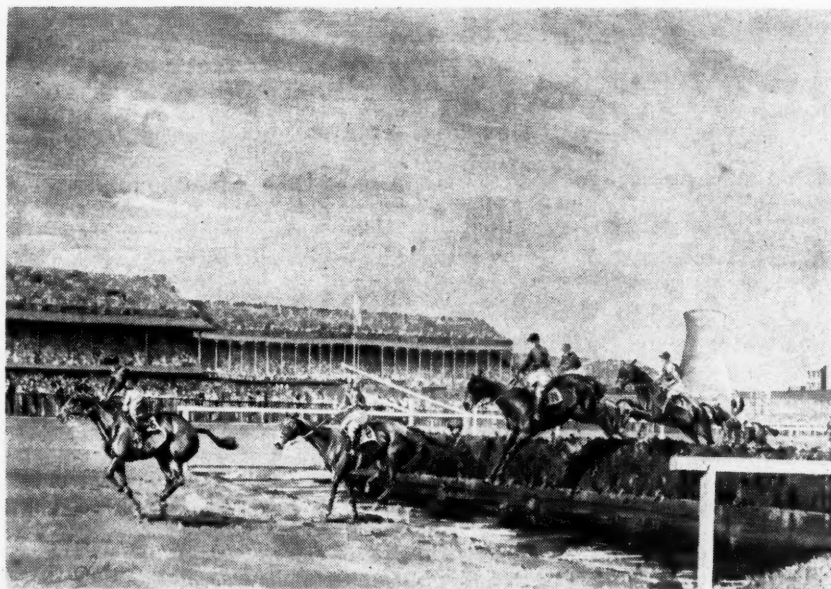
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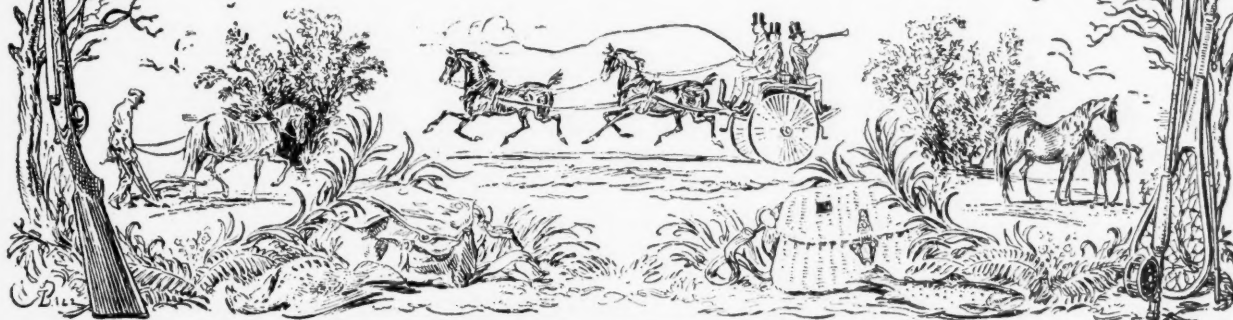
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HUNTING PACE EVENT—REVIEWED

Judging by the number of visits, letters and telephone calls received in The Chronicle office, there seems to be widespread interest in the Hunting Pace Events of the Blue Ridge Hunt reported in our issue of March 19th, of the Fairfax Hunt which appears herewith, and of the Tryon Hunt held yesterday.

Features of the first event particularly approved are:

1. That it is designed to test the rider, rather than the horse, and provides a hitherto-lacking type of competition for the keen foxhunter.
2. That the average hunter is just as suitable a mount for the event as the finest show horse: for years we have been trying to devise classes—halfbred, heavyweight, rider-owner etc.,—which would give the hunting hunter an even break and thus entice him into competition. The fact that the first 10 horses included 6 half-breds and 2 ponies, as well as 2 Thoroughbreds seems to have made a special impression.
3. That the event contained many features attractive to foxhunters (29 competed):
 - a. The course was long enough (6½ miles) to slow down the pace; the 2 checks provided enough of a breather to eliminate the need for special training of horse and rider; the average height of the jumps (3' 8") was a fair but not discouraging test; the time standard eliminated racing pace.
 - b. Dispatching the riders in pairs and at intervals over a course with only one loop not only eliminated the strain of riding in front of an audience, but also provided safety and company which made the event more fun.
 - c. Picking the winners on a time basis only (subject to the horse finishing without distress), not only eliminated arguments over the correctness of the judges' decisions, but also all the rules which have to do with rapping fences, refusals, falls etc.—rules which have very little to do with who is on hand at the finish of a good hunt.

From several sources there have come helpful suggestions. Most of them concern the method of determining the number of minutes and seconds constituting the time standard for the event. It should be recognized, of course, that the speed of hounds is only one factor which determines hunting pace, the pace at which horses gallop across country. Other factors are the type of terrain and ground conditions, dry or wet, frozen or snow-covered.

While it is agreed that averaging the times actually made by the contestants (excluding any which are excessively slow or fast) is an accurate way of determining the standard, it is felt that this method leaves something to be desired from a competitive point of view,—

that the winning pair may be accused of good luck, rather than good judgment. More desirable would be to give the riders beforehand some specific figure or figures which would enable them to school themselves and their horses in advance and to ride more knowledgeably during the event itself.

One proposal has been to give the contestants the actual time and then to take away their watches — which raises some awkward problems. A better way would seem to be the method adopted by the F.E.I. (Federation Equestre Internationale) for the cross-country phase of the Olympic Three Day Event. This is to give the number of meters per minute (450) at which the course shall be ridden—or, in this country, yards per minute.

These suggestions were presented last week to a meeting of the Blue Ridge Hunt Point-to-Point Committee which tentatively decided on the following procedure. In the prize list containing the conditions of the event to be sent out in 1955, the 1954 standard will be given in yards per minute. This will enable those preparing for the event to find out now their horse feels when traveling at that particular pace; for instance, if the pace is 465 yards a minute they can measure off 4650 yards and practice covering the distance in 10 minutes.

An hour before the event is run 3 non-competitors, considered good judges of hunting pace, will be sent over the course perhaps with a few couple of hounds running a drag to follow. Their times will then be averaged to determine the time standard for the event—for that particular course with the ground conditions on that particular day. This average will then be divided into the length of the course (accurately measured in advance) and the result—the number of yards per minute—announced to the contestants. Assuming that it will vary somewhat from the previous year—that it will be not 465, but 450 yards a minute for example—the rider who has learned to ride at the rate of 465 yards can easily make the adjustment.

It looks as though this might be a pretty good solution to the problem of setting the hunting pace time standard. Some of our readers may have better ideas. We hope they will not hesitate to let us know about them.

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Racing

A SECTION
DEVOTED TO THE INTERESTS
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**Racing Review**
**Stakes Results From Laurel, Gulfstream Park,
Lincoln Downs, Bay Meadows, and Oaklawn Park**
Raleigh Burroughs

A mutuels clerk once told me that there are five kinds of punters: win bettors, place bettors, show bettors, daily-double bettors—and women.

Until recently no track had made special provisions for the fifth category. It remained for Jamaica, which must have pioneered many Turf innovations—though I can't think of any at the moment, to take cognizance of this group.

Certain windows exclusively for the hand that mixes the pabulum are marked "Ladies." There may be some confusion at first, because there are doors bearing the same device, but no serious problems are anticipated.

The best thing that can be said for the new plan is that the chaos will be concentrated. Instead of one lovely trying to cash a ticket at each seller's window, there will be a dozen in the same queue, and the larger volume should lower the cost of handling.

It might be profitable to employ uniformed attendants who interview patrons and channel them toward the correct destination.

Mutuels personnel must be screened carefully. Preference will be shown individuals who can total up two dollars in nickels, dimes and pennies with greatest facility, and to those who can explain, tactfully, why a "place" ticket doesn't pay off when a horse runs third, even though a "show" receipt is redeemable if the animal finishes second.

A most valuable added service would be the posting of syndicate pay-off tables. These would reveal how much each lady in a party of eight is to get for her two bits in a consolidated operation.

Some complications are likely to develop. The mortality rate among mutuels employees is certain to soar. The track's medical staff will have to add a psychiatrist, with couch ready as each teller or cashier is led jibbering from his cage.

Sacrifices are necessary in every great forward move. If a few ticket handlers crack up, it is for the sake of progress. They are, as the saying goes, expendable.

Laurel

The Cherry Blossom, six furlongs, three-year-olds (March 27). Before the race, the big problem was who was going to accept the cup after Double Speed went through the formality of winning. Undeclared in four starts as a two-year-old last year, the Hertz runner is nominated to the Derby, Preakness and Belmont, is fifth in the Experimental Handicap ratings. He left the gate at 1 to 2.

Ring King, which isn't nominated to

anything or listed in the Experimental, because he didn't run at two, and knew nothing of Double Speed's reputation, ran away with the money. Steered by W. Hartack, he crossed the line 3½ lengths before War Piper and 5½ ahead of the favorite.

Bronze Warrior, Old Glendale and Double Speed raced on about even terms for the first three furlongs, with War Piper and Ring King just behind.

At the word from Hartack, Ring King spurted through on the rail and charged into a four-length lead straightening out for home. War Piper moved into second place. Double Speed was a head back in third. The Hertz colt swerved coming down the stretch crowding Menemsha. The latter finished fourth.

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Ring King, owned by Mrs. Ada L. Rice and bred by Danada Farm, (owned by Mrs. Rice and her husband, Dan) carried 112 pounds, as did War Piper. Double Speed toted 124.

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In the fourth start of his short career, Ring King won at Laurel on March 23. He was second once and twice out of the money at Hialeah before that. The \$8,060 he received for winning the Cherry Blossom brought his total to \$10,700.

The bay colt is by Alsab—Gracie Vee, by *Heliopolis. T. J. Kelley is the Rice trainer.

Gulfstream Park

The Magic City Handicap, six furlongs, three-year-olds and upward (March 27). As six horses among the 10-horse field for the Magic City had performed in the same race one week earlier, it was logical that the most play should go in the direction of the horse which performed best in the previous race. This was Sir Mango and he beat the horses he whipped last time out; but he didn't win.

Pomace, which hadn't won since last November, but had been running with company a notch higher, took the track at the beginning and stayed in front all the way. The chestnut gelding won by two lengths, with Sir Mango second. Stop Gap was a nose farther back in third place and 2½ lengths before Dry Run.

It was another triumph for Hasty House Farm and trainer Harry Trotsek. By Pilate, from the Pompey mare, Pomrose, Pomace is five years old. He was making his fifth start of '54 and it was the first time he has been in the money. The purse was worth an even \$6,000.

Last year, Pomace won 5 of 16 starts, he was second in 4 races and third in 3, and earned \$53,750. He won the Laurel Sprint Handicap and the Tropical Park Inaugural.

He was ridden, as usual, by Johnny Adams.

Erdenheim Farm bred him.

The Singing Tower, three furlongs, two-year-olds (March 24). A good way to prevent interference in a race of 16 horses is to run 'em down a straight course. Even then there will be some which improvise routes of their own; but if the best horse is a quick breaker he will gain the backing of the serious investors.

Menolene, a light-footed filly, which had won 3 of her 4 previous starts, added another without much trouble. She got away in front and stayed there to register by three lengths. Pierce got second prize, 2½ lengths ahead of Snooty, which nosed out Mrs. Sweeney.

The property of the Dickey Stable, Menolene had won a division of the Gulfstream Park Dinner Stakes six days earlier.

The \$8,700 she drew down for scoring in the Singing Tower brought her accumulated currency to \$19,075. By Bull Brier—Noodle Soup, by Jack High, the bay filly was bred by W. R. Estill. She is trained by ex-jockey Porter Roberts. Kenny Church had the leg up.

Lincoln Downs

The Woonsocket Handicap, seven furlongs, three-year-olds and upward (March 27). **Pictus** made it four straight wins when he toured seven panels under P. Bohenko to take first money in the Woonsocket.

He won by half a length, but had to be much the best to make it. Never far off the pace he was moving through on the rail when pinched off by Grover B. and forced back. Coming around the outside, he got clear sailing and won moving

away from Noch Eins. Grover B. was a safe third over Pipe of Peace.

Pictus has won 6 of his 10 starts this year and has been second twice. With the \$5,500 gathered in on March 27 he has 1954 earnings of \$28,250. He belongs to Mr. R. Lowe and is trained by C. P. Hatfield. A son of Pictor, Pictus was produced by Johnstown's daughter, Mrs. Ames. Villa Farm bred the six-year-old horse.

His 1953 record was: starts, 13, wins, 4, seconds 3; thirds, 4; earnings, \$22,350.

Bay Meadows

The San Jose Handicap, six furlongs, three-year-olds (March 20). The muddy going and high weight didn't stop A. J. Crevolin's **Determine**. Though his competition was moderate, he won impressively and the chart writer said "easily."

Giving from 12 to 17 pounds to all rivals the gray son of *Alibhai—Koubis, by *Mahmoud, stayed a length or two off the early pace of Zee Bull, took the lead coming around the bend and stretched it out to two lengths at the wire.

Zee Bull held on for second, while

Fault Free and Allied followed in that order, well spread out.

The winner of the Santa Anita Derby, **Determine** ran his 1954 total to \$130,200, including the \$9,550 he received for his San Jose score. He has won 4 of his 5 starts and been second once.

Before the Santa Anita Derby, he took the San Gabriel Stakes and the San Felipe Handicap. At two, he collected \$26,435, as a result of 4 wins, 1 second and 5 thirds in 14 races. He took the San Franciscan and Robert O'Brien Stakes last year.

Bred by Dr. Esie Asbury, the colt was purchased from the Keeneland Yearling Sales for \$12,000.

With Correlation winning the Florida Derby and Determine moving along with authority, Californians are thinking in terms of a Kentucky Derby win for a Coast-owned Thoroughbred.

Oaklawn Park

The Oaklawn Handicap, 1½ miles, three-year-olds and upward (March 20). Peu-A-Peu tried to stretch her skein of

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Cyrus Manierre Retires Rokeby Bowl

Owner-Rider Combination on Uncle Pierre Wins; Clifton's Dixie Captures Ladies'

Nancy G. Lee

There was added incentive to the Piedmont Point-to-Point's feature race this year when the event was held on March 27 near Upperville, Va. Both Dr. J. M. Rogers and Cyrus Manierre had two legs each on the Rokeby Challenge Bowl and both had horses going postward this year. The bowl had never been won three times by any owner but 27 jumps over an about 4½-mile course, plus 5 other entries, stood between these owners and that final leg on the bowl.

Some difficulty was encountered getting the 7 horses lined up and when the flag did drop, Mr. Leon Greenaway was away early on the winner of the Ben Venue at the Rappahannock Point-to-Point, T. E. Taylor's Old Fashioned. Not quite so fortunate was owner-rider Mr. J. Mallory Nash whose Brunei Bay stood still while the others were milling. When the flag dropped suddenly, Brunei Bay lunged forward, causing his rider to become unbalanced and thus necessitating his taking some seconds to get straightened out. A dead last getting away was Mrs. William S. Jenkins' Kaiser's Rose, the personable 5-year-old brown mare which had turned in such a winning performance in the novice event at the Blue Ridge Hunt Point-to-Point.

By the 1st jump, Mr. Laddy Murray had streaked to the front on Mrs. Norman K. Toerge's In The Clouds, the winner of his only outing this season, the Mount Marshall at Rappahannock. The 2nd jump is out of sight but then the horses appear as they gallop downhill toward the 3rd. In The Clouds led over this one by some 10 lengths with Old Fashioned 2nd. The horses were strung out as they headed toward the 4th and 5th (an in and out) and by now In The Clouds had opened up a 15-length gap. At the 4th, owner-rider Mr. G. T. Walker's Hill Biscuit ducked out, placing his rider on the landing side of the jump. Mr. Walker refused to relinquish his hold on the reins but a buckle gave way and the bridle came slightly apart. He took time out to fix this while the field was well away over the 6th.

In The Clouds held the lead safely over the 6th with Old Fashioned, owner-rider Mr. Cyrus Manierre on Uncle Pierre and Mr. J. Fisher on Dr. J. M. Rogers' Star Salome following. This year the course was changed as the horses turn right-handed at a beacon after landing over the 6th, thus eliminating the old 7th jump which put them on the sand and clay road. The 7th was a post and rail by the woods and then they turned slightly left-handed to head for the in and out over the sand and clay road. Over the 8th In The Clouds hit hard, losing ground. Mr. Greenaway was quick to take advantage of the slight lag in pace and hustled Old Fashioned on toward the leader.

This year there was an in and out over Oak Spring Road and when the horses came into sight after this to jump the 13th (a new stone wall) Old Fashioned was handling the pace setting duties. The 14th (part of the in and out on the hill over the sand and clay road) had also been changed to a stone wall and the horses appeared to jump much better. Over the 15th Old Fashioned still

headed the pack, followed by In The Clouds, Uncle Pierre, Star Salome and Brunei Bay. Some distance back Mr. T. K. Thomas was moving right along with Kaiser's Rose while still further back, Mr. Walker had managed to get his bridle together and was following the field with Hill Biscuit.

The downhill gallop toward the 16th usually brings some change in positions but with the exception of Brunei Bay passing Star Salome, the order was the same with Old Fashioned leading by some 5 lengths. At the 16th Mr. Greenaway and Old Fashioned were still in front but behind them the positions changed as Mr. Manierre sent Uncle Pierre into 2nd upon landing. In The Clouds now being 3rd and Star Salome 4th. Since Mr. Walker was so far behind on Hill Biscuit, when he reached this point in the race, he pulled up.

Back at the 1st jump, having completed one turn of the course, the three horses in front maintained their same order. Out of sight and back into sight as they galloped downhill toward the 19th, Old Fashioned commanded a lead of 8 lengths ahead of Uncle Pierre with In The Clouds still 3rd. Over the in and out (20th and 21st), Mr. Manierre made his bid to catch the leading Old Fashioned. Both horses really were tincanning over these two jumps, with neither giving an inch. At the 20th Brunei Bay refused and lost his rider, but was remounted. Across the field and slightly left-handed, Old Fashioned and Uncle Pierre raced toward the 22nd. At this one Old Fashioned pecked but did no noticeable damage.

The horses now left the original course and this time turned left-handed to head toward the 23rd and 24th across the lane. The eyes of the spectators had been on the leaders, Old Fashioned, Uncle Pierre, In The Clouds and Star Salome but over this in and out, one suddenly realized that a change was taking place. Landing in 4th position was Mr. Thomas on Kaiser's Rose. The brown mare was really

covering ground as the field went through the gap and into the woods. Back at the 23rd, Mr. Nash was having his troubles as Brunei Bay refused. He jumped the 23rd finally and was then pulled up.

There is a small plank jump the horses take after going across the branch which cannot be seen. They then cross the branch at another spot and come back into sight. Through the trip in the plowed field they were going all out with Uncle Pierre now going to the front.

However, Mr. Greenaway and Old Fashioned were far from through and they came on again to run head and head with Uncle Pierre. With the latter on the outside, the pair took the 26th (a stonewall) head and head and then swung left-handed around the beacon to head for the final fence. In The Clouds had bowed both tendons and was pulled up after taking this jump.

Old Fashioned held a slight advantage over the 27th and stumbled slightly upon landing, making him sway toward the oncoming Uncle Pierre. Meantime, Kaiser's Rose, which had moved into 3rd, hit the last jump hard and went down, she and her rider remaining motionless on the ground. A few minutes later they were up and all was well.

Back to the stretch drive and Uncle Pierre was on the inside, driving hard. In the final stages he insured his position to be the 1st under the wire, Old Fashioned placing and then Star Salome coming in for 3rd. Mr. Manierre, who won the Rokeby Challenge Bowl in 1950 and 1951 on Charoton, became the first owner to win the bowl three times. Added to this was the fact that he had ridden his own horses.

The ladies race was the first event carded and 5 horses and riders left the paddock to go postward. Showing very good manners under the starter's orders, the field was away quickly with Miss Sally Roszel on Mrs. S. Hamilton's Six Hundred and Mrs. R. H. Rogers on G. L. Ohrstrom's Biggie getting away fast. Six Hundred was joined at the 1st jump by Mrs. R. H. D. Randolph on Donald Patterson's Tamer but as the field went out of sight, Six Hundred had gained the front position. After the 3rd, the course lies slightly left-handed and in going around the beacon, Tamer and Mrs. William Rochester, Jr. on her husband's home-bred Conjure Ghost went wide. At the in and out Mrs. Leon Greenaway had moved up on J. M. Mulford's Clifton's

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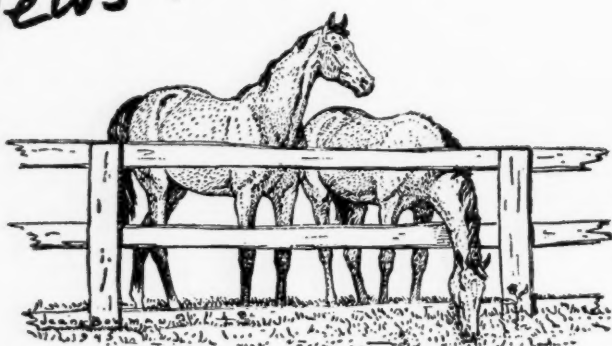
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News From the Studs



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An enthusiastic March meeting of the New England Thoroughbred Breeders' and Owners' Association was held at the Sheraton Plaza Hotel in Providence Sunday March 14, 1954.

All action centered about the three objectives of the association as stated by President Joseph L. Ayotte: 1. To obtain the cooperation of all New England tracks in the matter of obtaining stalls for New England owned and trained horses, 2. To have races carded each week for N. E. owned and N. E. bred horses, and 3. To have N. E. bred-horses allowed five pounds weight allowance as is done in Florida and other states.

Treasurer Herrmann reported progress in the registration of all N. E. owned and N. E. bred-horses. Horses to be eligible for N. E. owned and N. E. bred horses will need two certificates, one from the Jockey Club and the other from the N. E. Breeders' and Owners' Association. The cooperation of all N. E. owners is needed.

The possibility of televising the N. E. Futurity which is to be held sometime

in July at Rockingham Park was pointed out by Secretary Norman S. Hall. The fact that Lou Smith of the New Hampshire Jockey Club has gone more than halfway in the matter of scheduling the Futurity and in keeping the track open before and after the meet at Rockingham Park was lauded.

James I. Mede explained his bill which was filed through Rep. Canavan of Revere and which calls for the preferential treatment to residents and taxpayers of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in the assignment of stalls at horse race meetings provided that the horses meet the minimum rule or standards established by the proper officials of the trade.

Max White, vice president of the HBPA, Pat Fringe and H. E. Lewis of the Executive Committee of the HBPA spoke on the necessity for cooperation from all parties concerned in all affairs connected with racing in New England.

President Ayotte and the Vice-President of the New England HBPA were appointed as a committee to meet with the track operators to see if each track could be opened six weeks before each

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Crafty Admiral's half-sister Water Queen, by Johnstown—Admiral's Lady, by War Admiral, foaled a brown colt by Bless Me on February 28th, at Owner Mrs. Grayce Mar's farm, Smithtown Branch, New York. The attractive youngster was a week old when Mrs. Mar posed he and his dam for the photographer.

58th Running Of The Maryland Hunt Cup

Saturday, April 24th, 1954

Time: 4:00 P.M.

The Fifty-Eighth Annual Race for the Maryland Hunt Cup and the Second Race for the Challenge Bowl, presented by The Committee of the Maryland Hunt Cup Association will be run on Saturday, April 24th, 1954, at 4 P. M., under sanction of the Hunts Committee of the National Steeplechase and Hunt Association. Weights: 4-year-olds, 150 pounds; 5-year-olds, 160 pounds; 6-year-olds and upwards, 165 pounds. No sex or half-bred allowance; no allowance for riders and no other allowance. *Owners, riders, and horses, acceptable to the Committee. Start and finish on the estate of Mr. J. W. Y. Martin, Worthington Valley. Entrance Fee \$10.00. Distance four miles.

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*In determining whether a rider is acceptable to the committee the following general qualification will apply—

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2. Members of recognized hunts not holding amateur licenses of the National Steeplechase and Hunt Association whose avocation is fox hunting for pleasure and who, although they may derive their livelihood from horse activities, do not accept pay for riding in races. These may be permitted to ride, but it is to be understood in good faith, that no rider shall be paid either directly or indirectly for riding in the Hunt Cup.

Commencing April 1st, 1954, the office of the Maryland Hunt Cup Association will be c/o Mr. Redmond C. Stewart, 411 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Md. Telephone SARatoga 7-6820. For information regarding the race, parking stickers, press notices, and paddock tickets, call this Baltimore office.

Entries close at 12 o'clock midnight,

Saturday, April 17, 1954

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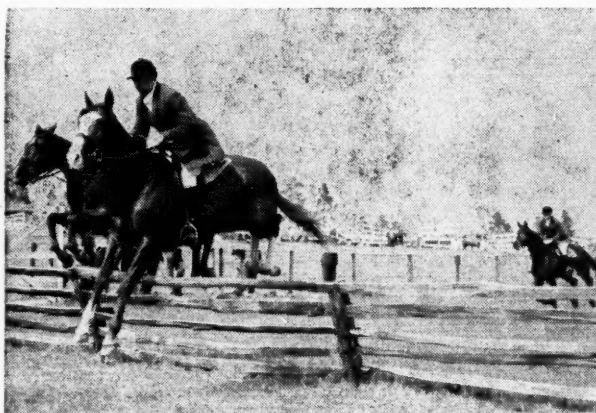
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Racing At Stoneybrook



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Two-Year-Old Trial. The field of 7 was led postward by an Appaloosa from the W. J. Brewster stable. At the finish the winner was W. G. Jones' home-bred Canary Oaks, a 2-year-old bay filly by Courtney—Porte's Wick. With Jockey J. Nichols up, Canary Oaks (pictured above at the end of the line), came on to win ahead of Mrs. Frank Dougherty's T. M. Girl.



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The Pink Coat Race was a closed race for Moore County Hounds members. Joint-M.F.H. W. O. Moss on "Lora Pan (nearest camera) and Mr. Cappy Winkelman on Decipher are pictured with the eventual winner, Mr. Earl Hoy on W. J. Brewster's Valley G.



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Stoneybrook Open Hurdle Race. Mrs. R. E. L. Wilson, 3rd's Hi-Team (No. 3) and G. A. Buder, 3rd's Mareber are shown leading the field. First under the wire was No. 1, Mrs. C. E. Adams' owned and trained Fiddlers Choice with Jockey F. D. Adams up.



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The Sandhills Cup. The first timber event of the season brought out a field of 10. Pacesetter until approaching the final jump was Mr. E. Weymouth on "Southwest (No. 9). Behind him is the first time starter over timber and the eventual winner, Miss E. R. Sears' "Golden Loch 2nd (No. 4) with Jockey C. Cameron up. To the right is Burford Danner's Bit-Whip Comet and G. S. Brannon's Farmers Joy.

Warrenton Pt.-to-Pt. to Dormouse

**Mrs. R. C. Winmill and Miss Alison Duffey
Team Up to Win Convincingly in Team Race**

Francis Greene

On a spring but windy morning hunting people of Northern Virginia gathered again on Bill Emory's hill at Warrenton, Va. to watch Mr. Andrew Bartenstein and his own Dormouse win by a quarter of a mile the 20th successive renewal of the Old-Fashioned Warrenton Point-to-Point on March 20. Dormouse, by *Barred Umber—Freckles, an almost Thoroughbred mare by Bonne Nuit, has been a regular working hunter with Warrenton and knew the country almost as well as did her owner-rider whose Odd-angles Stable is next door to the start and finish of this year's point-to-point. Between the two of them, they finished way ahead of Mr. Amory L. Lawrence riding his First Fancy which was closely followed (about 10 lengths) by Mr. Leon Greenaway of Rappahannock on last year's Warrenton winner, Dr. Ober. Six other hunters trailed the first 3 after running in all directions over about 5 miles of the cream of Warrenton's Saturday country. There were no casualties and only 2, Mrs. Rochester Atherton on Maypole, half-winner of last year's Warrenton team race, and Mr. Wesley Dennis on Lucky got a bit lost in the back country, pulled up, but eventually finished safe and sound.

This 20th anniversary of the founding of the Warrenton Point-to-Point, Virginia's first and oldest point-to-point over natural country, brought to many the memory of a similar day in March of 1934 when a field of 14 ran a true point-to-point from Jefferson to Cloverly to compete for the honor of holding the challenge bowl presented by Frederick H. Prince, Jr. This is the way "Polo" wrote up the first race of the fixture that is now so popular and which started so important a trend in hunting sport:

"The Warrenton Hounds held one of the most sporting days one could hope to witness or take part in on March 24.

Freddie Prince had the brilliant idea of putting on an old time point-to-point and generously gave two lovely trophies and a challenge plate for two events, a race for individuals and another pairs. . . . People went off in all directions, some to the right, some to the left, some straight away. Most of the contestants from the neighboring hunts, not thoroughly familiar with the country, wisely chose someone to follow. . . . The first to jump in and land on Winmill soil were Bill Streett and Sterling Larrabee, about three lengths apart. They battled their way through the crowd, jumped a stone wall, went through a gate, and sat down to ride past the Winmill's stable in a desperate effort to get the last ounce out of their tiring mounts, take the final fence and win the plates put up by Squire Prince.

"Streett was the first to land on the other side, but the Master of Old Dominion Hounds stayed on the brow of the hill and had a bit of a down grade on the run in. Both horses were tired animals, but Larrabee's Harkaway had a little more left and beat out Streett on Independence Boy by about a length."

Twenty years later, in 1954, the riders again went off in all directions, each forced to rely on his own eye for a country and his own judgment of pace. Again a hunting man beat out the race riders. Starting from the foot of Bill Emory's hill, on Lees Ridge Road, thence past various intricate turning flags to The Dell, to Hunt Kennels on Ridgelea, downhill to Whiffletree and back to the finish line at Emory's hill, it took Mr. Andy Bartenstein and Dormouse only 18.11½ to beat 8 other sound hunting men and point-to-point riders, only 3 of whom followed the same course and took the same hills as did the winner.

This year (which seems to be one of innovations) the rules for the first time called for half the riders to go around

the course in one direction and the other half to go around the reverse way, it being assumed that the distance one way would be equal to the distance the other way. However, the left-hand course to which Mr. Bartenstein, Mr. Wright Patterson and Miss Gene Blackwell were assigned, led homeward down the Clovercroft hill towards the Springs Road where the winner really let his chestnut hunter roll wide open. The right-hand course, which the others were required to follow, although it had some downhill going from The Dell back towards Great Run, does not appear to have the free galloping downhill grade that the left-hand course had.

Mr. Bartenstein took a straight course towards The Dell when all the starters galloped off in all directions in a race which to the spectators, if not to the riders, was somewhat confusing to watch. From The Dell, the local winner continued on straight across the fields to Hunt Kennels where he began to meet the first of the other contingent going in the opposite direction. A number of those assigned to the right-hand course are reported to have gone up into the woods back of Ridgelea instead of taking a straight course from Kennels to The Dell across the open fields and over two easily jumpable stone walls. Coming toward Whiffletree, after crossing the Springs Road, the leaders were Mr. Bartenstein and Mr. Wright Patterson who seemed well ahead of their opposite numbers taking the opposite course. Here, however, Mr. Patterson, having been advised by his nearest competitor to go on by himself, cut a flag and had to go back for the loss of several hundred yards.

From here on it appeared to be easy going for Mr. Bartenstein who was the first to come into view of field glasses from Mr. Emory's hill. He appeared just as he turned the flag at Whiffletree and came into clear sight running over Cloverly's broad fields, an anonymous figure in pink coat and white breeches on a chestnut horse. Shortly behind him came Mr. William Rochester, Jr. on his grey Conjure Ghost which had distinguished herself in running 3rd at Rappahannock two weeks prior to the Warrenton event. Conjure Ghost was running head and head with Mr. Amory Lawrence on his Fancy Free. Mr. Leon

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Warrenton Pt.-to-Pt.

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Greenaway on Dr. Ober was close on their skirts as they all drove down the hill towards Great Run Bottom. Mr. Bartenstein was the first again to top the rise from Great Run Bottom and to head into the final two fields before the finish. By this time he was a quarter-mile on top, a distance that he held all the way until the finish line.

Warrenton's team race is unique in that it is run against time, not horse-to-horse competition. Therefore, each contestant must judge pace and the ability and bottom of his or her horse without the help of a pace setter. Each pair was started 3 minutes apart, the time of each partner of a team being averaged, the team with the best average being declared the winner. Four teams raced this year and it was a popular win for Mrs. Robert C. Winmill, the grande dame of Warrenton, and her game, hard-going granddaughter, Miss Alison Duffey. Alison rode her grandmother's Wisdom while Mrs. Winmill rode her own grey, Dubonnet, both hunters also well known with Piedmont and Middleburg. Their average time was 20.07, appreciably better than that of Mrs. Harcourt Lees and Col. Foote who rode their own Cocktail and Flag, respectively, for an average time of 21.31.

The very gallant and sporting mother and son team of Mrs. J. W. Sinclair and Mr. James Sinclair, Jr. on Servex and Betty Lou, respectively, were 3rd with an average of 22.25, at least according to the official time keepers. The 4th team, composed of Dr. Nancy Poehlman riding her own Blue Grass, and Mr. Stuart Felvey on board Big Time, owned by George Cole Scott, M. F. H. of Deep Run Hunt Club, apparently got lost in the back country, which was strange to both of them, and finished long after the first three teams.

Twenty years ago Mrs. Robert C. Winmill, then paired with Mr. Harry Pool, both ex-M. F. H.'s of Warrenton, ran 2nd in the first Warrenton Point-to-Point Team Race. This 20th of March, Mrs. Winmill, looking not one day older and still going side-saddle just as hard as ever, followed the very hot pace set by her granddaughter, Alison, to win the same race that she helped to inaugurate in 1934. The pair race, according to the written instructions, was supposed to go to The Dell for the first point, then to the Kennels and back home via Whiffletree. However, the team of Winmill (grandmother and granddaughter), was told by the officials to make Whiffletree their first point and to finish via The Dell. This they did while the other teams went the right way around to The Dell first, thence to the Hunt Kennels, finishing via Whiffletree. If it was sauce for Mr. Andy Bartenstein's goose to go left-handed in the open race, it was certainly sauce for Mrs. Winmill's gander to go right-handed in the pair race, bucking Clovercroft Hill and finishing uphill from Great Run Bottom without the benefit of a good long downhill run into the valley. Even though the Winmill team apparently went the wrong course, no one questioned the matter in the general joy over the winning of Warrenton's

grandmother and granddaughter combination.

The Warrenton team race is a real test of horsemanship across country in that each team must well gauge the bottom and stamina of their mounts in terms of the pace that they may be setting. For someone to finish flogging a dead beaten horse up a stiff hill is a travesty on horsemanship. For someone to finish up the hill in good time but with a fit horse in good condition and well in hand after 5 miles of galloping across country with no pace setter, is a real accomplishment. This the Sinclairs, mother and son, did to a queen's taste, both of their horses were going strong, in good wind and not abused when they ended the long 5 miles across country.

Perhaps the nicest thing about the Warrenton Point-to-Point was to watch the cool and well judged way that the

younger entry handled themselves and their horses in racing across country. Mr. Jimmie Sinclair, making his second start, fulfilled the promise that he showed when he ran 2nd in the Rappahannock Junior Race, of having the makings of a real race rider. He was neatly cocked on the withers of a strong and untired horse as he finished up the rather cruel gradient of Bill Emory's hill. Miss Gene Blackwell had bad luck in falling into difficulties in the back country between The Dell and the Kennels but should, if she perseveres, become one of our best lady riders over fences. Mr. Wright Patterson, Jr. is another comer who should not be disappointed by the notorious vicissitudes of Warrenton's cross country racing from keeping on at the sport which reaches its climax between flags.

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Flanagan Secures 12 French 'Chasers For Resale Here

In the belief that there are still people left in racing with a true sporting instinct who would enjoy racing a steeplechaser if the cost of making such a horse was not so prohibitive, the National Steeplechase and Hunt Association put approximately \$100,000 in Joseph E. Flanagan's hand and dispatched him to France.

Even in a hasty glance back over the career of the Maryland sportsman, it is not hard to understand why he was selected to play the role of a modern-day "Jason". For not only is Mr. Flanagan the breeder of Elkridge (as well as numerous other good jumpers), but back in 1948 and then again in 1949, he brought to this country a total of 23 French yearlings, which he sold in the Saratoga sales of those years.

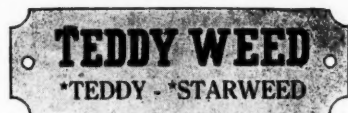
In due course, all of the French imports to start more than 4 times were winners, with the exception of 1 filly. In the group was the stakes winning 'chaser *Montadet, the very useful *Deux Moulins, the hurdlers *Sonatine, *Cicas, *Poughbay, and *Rayquick, which after hurdles gained considerably more fame by winning the Virginia Gold Cup over timber.

Mr. Flanagan pursued his task in France and was able, through the use of an undisclosed number of "little iron men" to separate 12 Frenchmen from their jumpers. Of these 12 'chasers, none are under 4—2 are mares, 9 are entire horses, while Bravo is the lone gelding. The group includes the 5-year-old horses Fric Frac, Le Page II, Ship Ahoy, and Xapcourt; the 4-year-old colts Fox II, Hyrcan, Condor II, Lotus III; the 5-year-old mares Camelle and Eole II; as well as the 7-year-old Templier and the 5-year-old Bravo.

Now that Mr. Flanagan has made his purchases, the NSHA will put the second phase of their plan in action on April 27, when these French jumpers will be offered at public auction at Belmont Park.

It is doubtful that the reception accorded these French 'chasers when they are auctioned will either make or break the game of steeplechasing, but they will certainly be a welcome addition to the depleted jumping ranks. All that now remains is for the track managements to rally around the banner, and card jumping events of greater value. When this is done, not only will the game survive and expand, but it will be unnecessary to journey to France. Each year will find new prospects in the making and new owners entering the sport, when there are events worthy of making and keeping a steeplechaser in training. —K. K.

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1. Dormouse, (Andy Bartenstein), 170, Mr. A. Bartenstein.
2. First Fancy, (Amory L. Lawrence), 170, Mr. A. L. Lawrence.
3. Dr. Ober, (Leon Greenaway), 170, Mr. L. Greenaway.

9 started, 7 finished; also ran (order of finish): William Rochester, Jr.'s Conjure Ghost, 170, Mr. W. Rochester, Jr.; G. H. Walker's Hill Biscuit, Mr. G. H. Walker; Miss Eugene Blackwell's Bones, Miss Eugene Blackwell; Wright Patterson's Tamer, Mr. W. Patterson; pulled up: Mrs. Betty Atherton's May Pole, Mrs. Betty Atherton; Wesley Dennis' Lucky, Mr. W. Dennis.

WARRENTON TEAM RACE, abt. 5 mi. over natural hunting country. For teams of two.

1. Wisdom, (Mrs. R. C. Winmill), Miss Allison Duffey.
- Dubonnet, (Mrs. R. C. Winmill), Mrs. R. C. Winmill. Time: 20:07.
2. Cocktail, (Mrs. Harcourt Lees), Mrs. H. Lees. Flag, (Col. Foote), Col. Foote. Time: 21:31.
3. Betty Lou, (James Sinclair, Jr.), Mr. J. Sinclair, Jr.
- Servex, (Mrs. J. W. Sinclair), Mrs. J. W. Sinclair. Time 22:25.
- 4 teams started & finished; also ran: Dr. Nancy Poehlman's Blue Grass, Dr. Nancy Poehlman; George Cole Scott's Big Time, Mr. S. Felvey (no time taken).

Point-to-Points

APRIL

- 3—Camargo Hunt Pt.-to-Pt., Montgomery, Ohio.
- 3—Brandywine Hills Annual Pt.-to-Pt., West Chester, Pa.
- 3—Potomac Hunt Point-to-Point, Rockville, Md.
- 11—Arapahoe Hunt Point-to-Point, Littleton, Colo.
- 17—Meadow Brook Hounds Old-Fashioned Pt.-to-Pt., Syosset, L. I.

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APRIL

3-year-olds
3 THE BAY MEADOWS DERBY, \$25,000 added. 3-year-olds. 1 mile and a furlong. By subscription of \$50 each to accompany nomination. Bay Meadows. To be run April 17.

10 THE BISCAYNE BAY HANDICAP, \$7,500. 3-year-olds. $1\frac{1}{8}$ miles. Gulfstream Park. To be run April 14.

14 THE NEW HAVEN HANDICAP, \$10,000. 3-year-olds. $1\frac{1}{8}$ miles. Lincoln Downs. To be run April 17.

3-year-olds and up

3 THE SAN MATEO MATRON HANDICAP, \$20,000 added. 3-year-olds and up, fillies and mares. $1\frac{1}{8}$ miles. By subscription of \$50 each to accompany nomination. Bay Meadows. To be run April 10.

7 THE HOLLYWOOD HANDICAP, \$10,000. 3-year-olds and up. 7 furlongs. Gulfstream Park. To be run April 10.

7 THE NEWPORT HANDICAP, \$10,000. 3-year-olds and up. 7 furlongs. Lincoln Downs. To be run April 10.

7 THE LINCOLN SPECIAL, \$25,000. 3-year-olds and up. $1\frac{1}{8}$ miles. Lincoln Downs. To be run April 14.

10 THE WILLIAM P. KYNE HANDICAP, \$100,000 gross guaranteed. 3-year-olds and up. 1 mile and a furlong. Deadline for supplemental nominations, by payment of a fee of \$5,000 each. Bay Meadows. To be run May 1.

4-year-olds and up

3 MY LADY'S MANOR POINT-TO-POINT STEEPLECHASE. Piece of plate. 4-year-olds and up. 3 miles over

natural hunting country. Monkton. To be run April 10.

10 GRAND NATIONAL POINT-TO-POINT. Silver Cup. 4-year-olds and up. About 3 miles over natural hunting country. Butler. To be run April 17.

10 THE MIDDLEBURG HUNT CUP, Piece of Plate. 4-year-olds and up. about 3 miles over Timber. \$10 entrance fee. Middleburg. To be run April 17.

17 THE MARYLAND HUNT CUP, Cup. 4-year-olds and up. About 4 miles over natural hunting country. By subscription of \$10 each to accompany nomination. Glyndon. To be run April 24.

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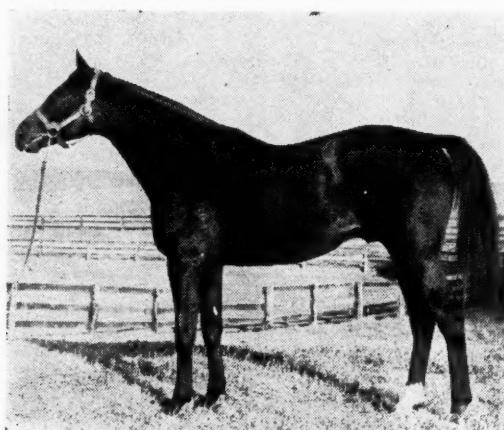
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Back around the turn of the century there was an energetic young physician who busied himself with a growing practice in Cockeysville, a country town 15 miles distant from Baltimore.

He was a general practitioner, a real country doctor.

The short, thin, wiry young fellow had, in his more trying moments, some exciting dreams which he hoped to fulfill when he retired as a physician.

But it's a long way from youth to retirement, and even as old age advanced on Dr. Wilmer C. Ensor, he found that Cockeysville still needed him.

Through the first World War, through the boom, the bust and World War II, Dr. Ensor made his rounds. In recent years it was with an automobile. In the early years of his practice, it had been with horse.

Then, finally, Dr. Ensor four years ago closed the door on his last patient. He was 70 years old then, and ready for retirement. Ready for the life of which he had dreamed. Ready for the fruits of his labors.

So it was that at the age of 70, Doc Ensor took out a license to train race horses.

Now, four years later, Doc is still training, still winning races and still learning a game which most of his rival trainers have been practicing since they were in their teens.

But there's no nut too tough for Doc to crack, and the success of Mike's Money at the recently concluded Charles Town meeting gives an idea of the caliber of his stock.

Mike's Money, the best 3-year-old at Charles Town, won three in a row at the West Virginia track out of three starts. There were seven other Ensor-trained-and-owned horses at Charles Town (Hocotia was a winner, too), but now they've all left for Laurel and will follow the Maryland circuit during the spring.

During the Charles Town meet, Dr. and Mrs. Ensor and their son, Clifton, lived in a house which they rented in Ranson. Clifton is, of course, his father's right-hand man, and Mrs. Ensor explains that the two men have got to take her along "because I'm their cook".

After Maryland, the Ensor family will move on to Waterford Park and then the Ohio circuit. In the fall, they'll be back to Maryland and then Charles Town in December.

How do they like the gypsy life after 52 years of uninterrupted residency in Cockeysville? "Why," says Doc, "you know as well as I do that nothing can beat the races."

Back at his Cockeysville home now with his family, Doc was caught during one of his rare moments of relaxation.

He reported he was born and raised in Cockeysville. Sometimes called on his early patients by carriage, sometimes on horseback. He estimates the number of babies he has delivered at 5,000 (using 100 babies a year over a 50-year period as a basis).

"How old did you say you are now, doc?" asked his interviewer.

"Why," he said, "I'm 74."

"Plus," chimed in Mrs. Ensor. "Yes, plus," added son Clifton.

The doctor gave his wife and son a withering scowl. He looked at the ceiling a moment, smiled and went on with his narration.

"I've always been around horses," he continued, "all my life. Fact, I used to be a jockey. Rode at Timonium and places like that."

"Yes," said Mrs. Ensor, "and he was a great tournament rider, too. He crowned all the queens, but he couldn't dance a lick. Not a lick."

"That," rejoined Doc with narrowing eyes, "was how I first got into trouble. I crowned Mrs. Ensor queen."

Back in the years of Dr. Ensor's youth, no one needed a license to train or ride. "No more license," he said, "than you needed today to fight chickens."

The doctor relates that as his two sons grew up, the Ensor family became interested in raising show cattle. "We had champion Guernsey cows," says Dr. Ensor, "that won us many a blue ribbon. But when our older son, Joseph, was killed we lost interest and sold them all."

A short time later, the Ensors bought a work horse.

"Wasn't a damn bit of good, either," recalls Doc. "But John Grau, who lived in Long Green, offered to trade me a Thoroughbred mare named Exaltation for that \$85 work horse. The mare had a foal by her side. We made the trade and named the foal Auscultation. It was a good trade."

Auscultation (which the doctor explained means "listening to your heart") was a successful racer and was claimed from the Ensors for \$3,250. That was in the early 1940's, before Doc began training for himself.

Another of the Ensor's early racers was Leave, which the doctor bought as a 2-year-old. He broke his knee while turned out on pasture two years later.

"Clifton," recalls Mrs. Ensor, "won \$2,300 when he bet \$100 on Leave at Delaware Park. Dad stayed home that day. He had a baby case."

Since those early days, Dr. Ensor has raced such horses as Olecranon ("that means your funny bone"), Orthopedic ("she was by Mr. Bones out of Off and On"), Fibrolation ("when your heart flutters") and Osculation ("when you kiss somebody").

In that living room of Dr. Ensor's home, it seemed that the race track was a long way away. The room gleamed with sunlight and antiques were as apparent as the doctor's wit.

Looking at the wiry old man as he reminisced, one couldn't help but feel that here indeed was that much referred to salt of the earth. Here was a man who never lost his humor, his smile, his love for people and horses.

Mrs. Ensor, for decades a doctor's wife and now the wife of a horse trainer, laughed, jibed and admonished as her

husband talked of their lifetime.

Clifton, a painstaking bookkeeper, sought record books and clippings as his father recalled race horse and jockey.

All three were intent on the discussion at hand: the race horse and Doc Ensor.

As they talked, it wasn't hard to visualize the little man going about his business on a winter morning at Charles Town. Gum boots on to keep his feet dry, a heavy overcoat turned up about his ears. His eyes, always smiling, and the more serious Clifton at his side with a stopwatch in his hand.

Then it drew time to leave the Ensor house, and, as a parting question, we asked the old physician where he had gone to college.

"Maryland," he replied, "I got a diploma and a gold certificate around here somewhere."

He got up as if to look for it, and Mrs. Ensor waved him back.

"You better leave," she said, "before he starts selling you antiques. He's a shrewd trader."

"Don't know a thing about antiques," he protested, eyeing the room which made him a liar. "See anything here you'd like to buy?"

"Please don't mind him," says Mrs. Ensor. "He bought a table once for \$1 and sold it for \$212."

Dr. Ensor turned his head to the departing guest with just a trace of his foxy smile.

"How about the races, Mrs. Ensor? Does he skin them alive there too?"

The doctor had the answer out before Mrs. Ensor could stop him: "No, hell no," he rejoined. "Another couple of years and I'll have to go back to practicing medicine!"



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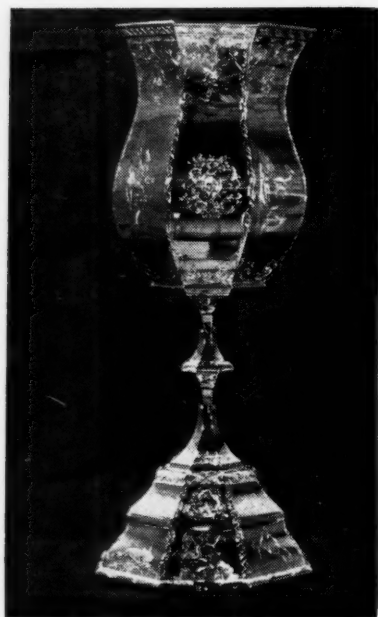
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New Virginia Gold Cup The Fifth Placed Into Competition Since 1922

A new Gold Cup trophy will be offered for the first time at the Virginia Gold Cup races to be run at Broadview estate near Warrenton on Saturday, May 1. The new trophy is the fifth to be placed into competition since the first Virginia Gold Cup race was run in 1922.

It was at the 1953 event that Christopher M. Greer of Middleburg gained permanent possession of the fourth Gold Cup, an historical trophy originally presented as a sporting award by Catherine the Great of Russia in the 18th Century.

The Virginia Gold Cup Committee found the replacement at the Park Bernet Gallery in New York, where they saw and selected an octagonal, thistle-shaped bowl made from gold nuggets.



New Virginia Gold Cup Trophy

While the history of this trophy is somewhat remote, fact does establish that the nuggets used to shape it were mined during the California Gold Rush in 1849. The trophy was made on the order of a group of English sportsmen and was sent to England to be offered as the challenge for a sporting event in that country. The trophy bears engravings which substantiate this part of its story, for it carries the royal arms of Great Britain, the American eagle, racing horses and the word "California".

During the intervening years the trophy dropped into obscurity and was next seen in a London pawn shop shortly after World War II. Here an American jeweler, impressed by the beauty of the trophy, purchased it and returned it to the United States where it was added to the collections of the Park Bernet Gallery.

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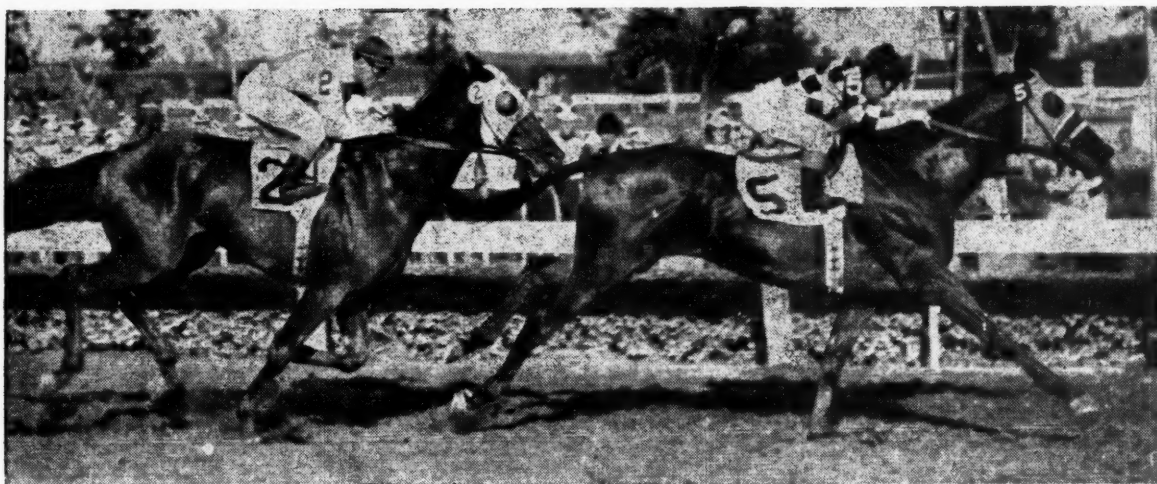
- comes from bloodlines noted for the outstanding sires they have produced
- half-brother to The Phoenix, one of Ireland's top sires
- sired by Straight Deal, which defeated *Nasrullah, Pink Flower, and 20 others in the 1944 English Derby
- Straight Deal has consistently been a high ranking sire and this past season was represented by the brilliant 3-year-old filly Kerkeb
- top line is that of Hyperion, *Alibhai, Dastur, Pensive, etc.
- first three dams produced stakes winners
- tail female line of The Phoenix, *Bahram *Sir Gallahad III, *Bull Dog, Bois Roussel, etc.
- not only has the pedigree to be a successful sire, but his racing career proved his stakes class ability
- in the only season he raced, was a winner of Trundle, Work-sop Stakes, Claremont Handicap and Kingswood Plate
- finished 2nd to *Djeddah in the important 1¼ miles Eclipse Stakes, beating such top notch performers as Hindostan, Moondust, Faux Tirage, *Nizami II, etc., to which he conceded weight
- his first crop are now yearlings
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R. S. Lytle's Correlation, W. Shoemaker up, crossing the finish line a length in front of Woodvale Farm's Goyamo in the \$100,000 added Florida Derby at Gulfstream Park. The 3-year-old bay son of Free America—'Braydore, by Roidore was bred by R. S. Lytle and W. D. May and after the Florida Derby had netted \$195,800 for his connections.

Belmont Park's International 'Chase

Irishman Reviews Qualifications of Jumpers Which Have Accepted Invitation

Philip de Burgh-O'Brien

Final European selections for the big Belmont Steeplechase have been announced and they are, Ireland: Knock Hard and Nice Work; England: Rose Park and Campari; France: Cammell Laird and Far Fetch.

This group represents something of a cross-section of the chasers in training; not by any means the best that could represent the Europeans. Exception is Knock Hard, owned by Mrs. Moya Keogh and trained by Vincent O'Brien. A big question is, how he will react to American conditions and American fences? Over here he is regarded as the most versatile horse in training, with numerous successes over the sticks, hurdles and on the flat. In 1952 he was only narrowly beaten in the Manchester November handicap, giving the winner lots of weight.

Knock Hard early in his career, he is now eight, changed hands for a small sum and is now the property of Mrs. Keogh, one of the most sporting of Irish owners. Last year he won the coveted Cheltenham Gold Cup and for the 1954 Aintree Grand National was given the top impost. In early season he placed fourth in a hurdle race at Leopardstown—part of his Gold Cup preparation—and in this latter event, in which he started a good second favorite, failed to do himself justice. He placed fifth behind Four Ten, Mariner's Log, Halloween and the favorite, Mont Tremblant, and at the fourth fence from home, hit the wood so hard that it was surprising he stayed on his feet at all.

At his best he will be hard to beat for he has great speed and can jump like a stag. Trouble is, he is much inclined to "chance" his fences, cause of defeats from time to time. Nevertheless, am hoping he gives a good account of himself at Belmont, for he is the only one of ours that can go a fast pace from start to finish.

Nice Work, a 7-year-old, owned by Gerald Verney, trained by Tom Dreaper,

got off to a brilliant start as a 5-year-old, winning five races off the reel. After a long lay off, he finished second to Bold Baby in a hurdles event at Leopardstown last January. I think a lot will depend on the amount of work they can do with him in the short time remaining, for he did not seem in very forward condition when I saw him in the above race. However, something in his favor is that trainer Dreaper has always had a high opinion of his potential, and Tom is rarely wrong about jumpers.

Rose Park, Irish-bred, now racing in England, was formerly owned by Mrs. Jack White. He has been successful in many middle-class events, without ever quite reaching the top rank. The shorter distance should now suit him, for he is not an out-and-out stayer. Against him may be the early pace, for he is not a front runner or one with great final drive, although he is one of the safest fencers we have. Latest running was in the Cheltenham Gold Cup, 26 furlongs, March 4, when opposed by the cream of the chasers, he finished last. Not a happy omen, maybe. Campari like Rose Park, is trained by Peter Cazalet, the Queen's conditioner. He does not hold much appeal in this company. In his favor will be that he is particularly fit, having raced a number of times on the flat during the 1953 season.

The French-breds, Cammell Laird and Far Fetch, we have not seen, they not having run in England, or at those races witnessed at Auteuil, Paris. This is significant, as the French owner of a good chasing prospect usually runs him in England where prizes generally are much higher. My French friends tell me that neither is in the first flight, although both have winning form. One says, "They are a long way behind Mont Tremblant" (French-bred). Taking a line on them through Knock Hard, the Irish horse should hold them fairly easily.

Summing up, I see no reason why some

American chaser, on his home ground and with conditions and fences to which he is accustomed, should not beat ours. If there is to be an "upset" then it should be with Knock Hard, the best of ours. We all wish the inaugural running of the Belmont 'Chase the very best of luck, and hope it will be the forerunner of many more of the same, between we and thee. It is indeed a pity that such as Royal Approach and Quare Times are not making the trip, the former I understand is being pointed for the Irish Grand National, an event he should win with some ease. He is simply a stunning horse as he showed when winning the Cathcart 'Chase, 2 miles, March 4, at Cheltenham by 15 lengths.



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At least three-quarters of an hour before the appointed time of the rally, the person in charge should arrive and plan out the space provided into maneges, 40 yards by 20 yards, and jumping ground. The instructors should be on the ground half an hour before the rally in order to mark out their manege where indicated, with flags, flower pots, stick, stones or some such. They must inspect carefully and ensure that there are no holes, glass, etc., in their manege. They should be given an approximate time table on which to base their day's work, which may well comprise manege work, jumping, lunch interval and games. They then go to their manege and await their pupils' arrival.

The D. C., with perhaps one or two assistants, should wait near the entrance to the rally field, and as members arrive send them direct to their respective instructors, or if in doubt as to whom they should go, keep the members riding round in a large circle until they are finally allotted. If the members are not under control at once, there may very likely be accidents from kicks, etc., as they bunch together and gossip. Classes should not exceed 10 members.

On arrival at their respective maneges the members come under control of their instructors, who ensure order and safety. The dumping of spare kit, clothes, etc., should be organised to ensure safety, and prevent loss. Once the dumping is completed the class should ride round the manege, and when settled down be formed up in the centre, dismounted, and an inspection of pony, saddlery and rider carried out. During the inspection one member should be detailed to write down the names of those attending. The instructor will then explain the programme and start work. Meanwhile the D. C. or somebody appointed for the job, should visit each class, collect the names, and at the same time act as liaison between classes in order to re-allot any member who may appear to be too advanced or too backward in any particular class.

A useful size for a manege is 20 yards by 40 yards; the corners must be right angles. For junior classes four corner markers may be all that is necessary, and it will be helpful to make the class ride outside the corner markers in order to prevent them cutting in. For the senior classes, quarter and half markers may be introduced and then, of course, the class must ride inside the markers. It is suggested that 60 minutes is a sufficiently long consecutive period for manege work, the correcting of positions, and teaching of aids, etc.

During jumping lessons discipline is essential, and if accidents are to be avoided those not jumping must be kept under control, either moving or standing still. No members by direct order or insinuation, must be forced to jump against their will, and in fact it is as well to use the utmost tact so that any member who may not want to jump need not do so without becoming embarrassed. Jumps should be very easy and low to start with and until the ponies are going freely. Any forcing or "shooing" by onlookers must be forbidden at once. For detailed information as to manege work and jumping see the "Syllabus of Instruction" and the "Manual for Instructors" which may be obtained from National Headquarters.

Games form a very important part of the working rally. They create unconscious control of the pony, and the children should thoroughly enjoy them. Here again safety must be a great consideration, and tact again is necessary to ensure that games are chosen to suit the riders and ponies so that both and all can enjoy them. Pay particular attention to avoid dangerous ground and low overhanging boughs. For further information see "Mounted Games And Gymkhana Events" which may be obtained from National Headquarters.

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The Whys of Showing

Elizabeth Ober

Horse showing is a game that requires an unusual quota of sportsmanship from the participants. There is no tape for horses to cross, no goal to be reached, no knockout blow to be struck. It all depends on the opinion of the judges who, like the exhibitors, cannot know everything about horses. Each judge has an eye and preference for a certain type of horse and this accounts for the various placings under different judges. Their judgement is based on their eye for a horse, their knowledge in horses and their skill as horsemen. Their decision is final and owners and riders should take their lickings like gentlemen. They entered their mounts presumably because they wanted to show them in a sporting affair. When they mailed in their entry blank they knew who the judges would be and by sending it in, tacitly agreed that their decision would be acceptable. The judges were invited because they were considered the most capable horsemen available. A horse show is a horse's own show. If he can perform without argument, so should the spectators, the riders, the officials, so can everybody who comes to a show for the sake of sport. The only thing more important than the horse is the type of sportsmanship displayed in and around the ring. Good sportsmanship is more important than the winning of the game, for good sportsmanship is the game itself.

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Pony Talk in Maryland

Western Type or "Modern American Pony" Versus Child's Riding Pony

Dear Sir:

Here in the East, Maryland in particular, the pony has long been the popularly chosen mount and companion for our children to start learning the rudiments and pleasures connected with the sport of riding.

Quite a few of our local pony breeders are individuals who started out with these small, sturdy, personality mounts as children and have retained a love for the little fellows and a desire to raise them to give pleasure to more children. It was such a group of breeders that formed the Maryland Pony Breeders', Inc., four years ago under the able guidance of Mr. Humphrey S. Finney who was at that time Field Secretary of the Maryland Horse Breeders', Inc., and editor of their magazine.

In the weekly performance shows with the hunting and jumping pony divisions the good show ring ponies soon come to the fore, but it has been to the Maryland State Fair, Timonium, Md.; Har-

ford County Fair, Bel Air, Md.; and other county fairs that the breeders have turned in order to learn whether their young stock was "measuring up".

Recently, a few individuals are endeavoring to further the Western type pony or "Modern American Pony" here in the East. The Maryland Pony Breeders', Inc., feel that there is a place for all types of ponies. The harness show pony and harness Shetland that are primarily shown, fitted, and handled by adults have classes in quite a few of the shows around and the owners of these ponies should be able to find ample opportunity to show.

Not being satisfied with the fields open to them, however, it seems that it is the wish of this group to invade Timonium with the harness show pony putting the child's riding pony in the background. The Fair Board has been criticized by letter on its management of the Light Horse Division, the type of classes given the ponies, and the judges

by an individual who to our best knowledge has never shown or attended the Maryland State Fair.

The Maryland Pony Breeders', Inc., naturally, wants the Pony Breeding Division of the Maryland State Fair to grow into an even bigger and better show as soon as additional stabling is available with more and more children and young people taking part. The management has been very sympathetic in regards to this division and we feel the classes are well run off and an excellent selection to choose from. Proof of this is in the fact that classes in all three division, Shetland, Welsh, and Cross-bred, have been filled to capacity with ponies.

In closing let me quote Mr. Finney's view on this subject as it so well expresses ours:

"My own thinking is that Timonium should be maintained as a Breeding Show where animals of true breed type only be exhibited in a natural manner. I am absolutely opposed to any trend which leads to making ponies a fad for adults rather than companions and dependable mounts for children. The reason we backed the pony development at the State Fair was to encourage cross country riding through the development of pony breeding. From this start strength is given to horse activities in the state as the children themselves become older".

Carl-Heinrich Asmis, President
Mrs. Wm. Howard, Vice-President
Miss Louise E. Hollyday, Sec.-Tres.
Maryland Pony Breeders', Inc.

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Rallies may be held in the morning, afternoon or evening, the main consideration being the convenience of members getting to and from the rally. If an all-day rally is planned members should bring halters with them and instructors should supervise the watering and tying up of ponies during the luncheon interval. Once the ponies are safely spaced and secured the members can then be free to mix and mingle as they will until the luncheon interval is over.

At least a quarter of an hour before the time to finish the D. C. should sound a warning. Instructors can then make sure that their party finishes "On a good note". They should form their class up, look round the ponies, and organize the collection of kit, etc. On a second warning sounded by the D. C. the riders should ride past the D. C., the host or hostess for the day, and say "thank you and goodbye." The members will then disperse, but there is generally necessity for a small fatigue party to assist the D. C. in collecting markers, jumps, etc. and in tidying up.

One last word. A working rally on the above lines does work, so do try it. Clubs which have persevered are now flourishing although when they first started "they had not an instructor in the countryside." The D. C. should make one person chief instructor, and let others find their feet with classes of 6 to 8 members at the most. It will pay in the end far better than putting classes of 20 or so under one person, however good that person may be. However diffident the young instructor may feel, let him or her realize that they are giving their class enormous pleasure; let him or her be cheerful, happy and do their best and they can be assured they are doing a great deal of good.

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Vivamus Dum Vivamus—A Culinary Occasion The Results of a Flyer at Cotton

Col. F. G. Skinner

As all sportsmen—that is, true sportsmen—are good fellows, we have an honest regard for the “fleshpots” and some knowledge of culinary chemistry. We hope such of them as are readers of the Times will not be disappointed at finding under the head of Field Sports a short notice of a gastronomic event of some importance which recently occurred at the Queen City Club in Cincinnati. Half a dozen clever young fellows took what the brokers call a flyer at cotton, and drew out of the venture with quite a little sum to their credit. This money they wisely determined to devote to a dinner, which, ordered without regard to cost, was intended as a serious test of the highest resources of the culinary art, as it now exists in the Paris of America. We have before us as we write the admirable menu of this dinner, and it speaks well of the gastronomic resources of our city and the savoir vivre of those who composed it.

It was not the result of a hasty decision of any one of the fortunate speculators, but was selected item by item by the whole party with that solemn deliberation which the importance of the occasion deserved. This deliberation proved a degree of respect for gastrologic science rare among young men, and it was not without its reward, for it procured for them all the pleasures of anticipation. Trollope, we believe it is, who tells the story of a commercial traveler in England who bought his Christmas turkey ten days in advance and hung it in his hall and sponged it with vinegar as often as he passed out or into the house, not only to make it tender, he asserted, but also to enjoy the pleasurable anticipation of eating it. The Menu of this dinner, which will, we are told, constitute an era in the history of the Cincinnati Club, is short but choice, and we find but one mistake in it—and that is, that sherry was served with the appetizing caviar. Caviar is a Russian product, and the use of it as a stimulant to appetite is derived from that country where it is universally served with brandy before going to the table. But the true Vermouth of Turin, slightly tintured with wormwood as it is, may be substituted for brandy. The best, and indeed, the only, caviar fit to eat, is “untimely ripped” from the sturgeons of the Volga.

The caviar on the menu was followed by blue point oysters on the half shell. When small the blue pointers are better than all others, because more briny. Next in order was a consomme, a light, clear soup. This was a wise selection, for according to gastronomic philosophy the province of soup is to stimulate the secretion of gastric juices preparatory to the dinner, which is to follow. Hence turtle or gumbo or any other thick soup would have been a gastronomic blunder.

After the clear soup a glass of dry Amontillado Sherry was served. This was the right wine in the right place, and the world is indebted for this discovery or fashion to that arch diplomatist, Prince Talleyrand, who next to Cambaceres, was the daintiest gourmet in all Europe.

The fish which followed the soup was a sheephead, a la Hollandaise. Our own whitefish is more delicious than a sheephead, but the latter is a greater rarity; hence, the precedence. With it cucumbers were served. This vegetable is an obligato accompaniment to salmon, but we doubt if it be to sheephead, which, by the way, is a great favorite with anglers as one of the gamest of salt water fishes.

The roast, and a right royal roast it was, was a saddle of mutton fattened on the aromatic herbage of the mountains, and ripened and mellowed by three weeks' exposure to the frosty air of the glades, and this saddle was a perfect triumph of the difficult art of roasting. Brillat Savarin tells us that any man with good mental faculties may become a tolerable cook, but that roasters, like poets, must be born to such. The artist who roasted that saddle of mountain mutton may proudly say of himself, nascitur non fit.

For an entremet was served a pair of pheasants, a delicate dish which well served to illustrate the capabilities of the club. The birds were probably imported, for we have no pheasants in this country. If they were ruffed grouse—called pheasants across the river—the less said about them the better, for the “VIGILANTES” of the Cuvier might have a word to say about the violation of the game laws. With the mutton and the birds was served an exquisite vintage of Chateau LaFitte, which divides with Chateau Margaux the royalty of all the Bordeaux wines. The vineyard of LaFitte, though of small extent, passed a dozen years since into the possession of one of the Rothschilds, at a cost of several millions of francs, and its proprietorship con-

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Fairfax Hunt Holds Hunting Pace Event And Draws 20 Entries

Edward Howrey

Stealing a leaf from the book of the Blue Ridge Hunt, which is not a bad place to borrow from—or if you insist, from which to borrow—the Fairfax Hunt held a Hunting Pace Event on Saturday, March 20, at eleven o'clock.

There were in fact two events, senior and junior, open respectively to members of the Fairfax Hunt and to members of the Fairfax Junior Hunt. Altogether 20 horses were entered, five pair in each event.

The course, three miles or thereabouts, was over regular hunting country—chicken coops, across a bridge, through a meadow, over posts and rails which very nearly constitute an in-and-out, down a natural gas pipe line, through some woods, over several ditches, more chicken coops and back to the place of beginning, with a one-minute check at the half-way mark.

On the previous Sunday, Sterling Leach, huntsman, and a qualified partner, rode the course in order to establish a time for hunting pace. The average of the two, 13 minutes 1 and 7/8 seconds, was adopted as the standard time—although kept a deep dark secret from contestants until after the event.

According to the prior notice sent to members “These events are to test the rider's judgement of hunting pace across country. The course, marked with flags, over a fair hunting country, will be approximately three miles, fences to average 3'4". Contestants may walk over course, but may not school in advance.

Contestants will be dispatched in pairs at five minute intervals. The rider whose time is closest to the standard time will be declared the winner of the individual

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event. The pair whose combined times are closest to twice the standard time will be considered, except in a case of tie, when the award will be made to the individual or pair whose horses are pronounced by the judges to have finished in a better condition. Both events are to be ridden in full hunting attire. Prizes will be awarded to winners (both senior and junior) of individual and pair events. Light refreshments (and this proved of great interest to both spectators and contestants) will be served at the Club House after the event."

Upon completion of the course all entries were judged for wind and general condition. There being no tie this judging did not come into play. This was fortunate because all horses, with one or two exceptions, finished in good condition.

There were separate timers for each pair so that the same person clocked the start and finish. This required no more than three timers as there were never more than three pair on the course at the same time.

The junior individual event was won by Susan Shifley, on "Little Red". Her time was almost perfect, 13 minutes and $\frac{3}{4}$ seconds—less than 1 second fast. The junior pair event was won by Susan and her partner Terry Yates at a combined average time of 12 minutes 53 and $\frac{4}{5}$ seconds.

The winner of the senior individual event was Miss Barbara Bachman, mounted on her magnificent Thoroughbred "Sun Dial". She was clocked at 13 minutes 3 and $\frac{3}{4}$ seconds, only 2 and $\frac{1}{5}$ seconds off standard time.

The winners of the senior pair event were Miss Bachman and Miss Madge Barclay. Their combined average time was only 3 seconds slow.

The amazing thing about the time of all contestants, as you will see from the listing below, was that the standard time was set on a fairly dry course while the actual event was run after a night-long rain. This only goes to show that the Bowman brothers are developing a real turf at Sunset Hills.

The names of competing pairs and the number of minutes and seconds faster or slower than the standard time were:

1. Miss Bachman, Miss Barclay, 3 seconds slow.
2. Susan Shifley, Terry Yates (juniors) 8 seconds fast.
3. Miss Mildred Gaines, Miss Katie Alexander, 23 seconds slow.
4. Tommy Corcoran, Elliott McElhinney (juniors), 57 seconds fast.
5. Marcia McCordle, Camilla Crowe (juniors), 1 minute 15 seconds slow.
6. Sara Willis, Gill Ridgely (juniors), 1 minute 21 seconds slow.
7. Mr. T. Barnes, Arlene Sanders (junior), 1 minute 35 seconds fast.
8. Capt. Robert McGowan, Bonnie McGowan (junior), 1 minute 54 seconds slow.
9. Mr. Wade Dorsett, Mr. Randolph Rouse, 2 minutes 1 second fast.
10. Caroline Evans, Debby Pease (juniors), 2 minutes 34 seconds fast.

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A Culinary Occasion

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fers greater distinction than his titles and his wealth. Both titles and wealth are common, but in all the world there is but one Chateau LaFitte!

Among the hors d'oeuvres was what is down on the menu as *pate de fois gras a la Belle Vue*. We are included to doubt whether it was a pate or a pie. The *foie gras*, or fat liver, is always, when for exportation, put up in jars of delicate earthenware and hermetically sealed, the pies being intended for home and more immediate consumption. Be that as it may, the man who invented Strasburg pie, as the composition is also called, must have been divinely inspired. The comingling of the unctuous liver of the goose with the aromatic truffle was the most fortunate, as it was the grandest conception within the whole range of gastronomic science. This benefactor of the human race was a native of Strasburg, and his invention has conferred greater luster on that city than its Minster with its steeple 400 feet high.

But the "magnum opus", the crowning glory of this feast, was a dish of terrapin cooked in Baltimore, expressly for the occasion. The diamond black terrapin is the edible king of all the chelonians. He is the glory of the Chesapeake Bay, the pride of Maryland and the delight of the discriminating epicure. No food on the American continent can compare with the Chesapeake Bay terrapin as cooked in Baltimore, and by a charming lady we wot of here in Cincinnati. As the Field editor ate a portion of this noble dish, kindly sent him, it revived the memory of gastronomic pleasures long since past, but he could not help regretting that Maryland, his native State, had not adopted a terrapin rampant as its crest.

We would like to discuss other items of the menu, such as the canvass-back ducks, the artichokes, the Roquefort cheese—which the late General Winfield Scott declared to be the greatest rival of the English Stilton—the punch, and the king of all the wines in the world, the Clos-de-Vogot, before the gates of which we once saw a company of French infantry halt, dress and present arms as is invariably the custom when French troops pass that vineyard, but our space will not permit, and we must conclude with the statement that the dinner was so beautifully served as to prove the steward Queen City Club a master of the science of aesthetics, and the cooking ranked the artist who presided as a cordon-bleu of the very highest order.

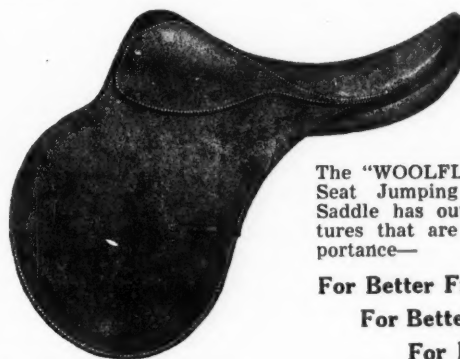
It only remains to add that in honor of King Cotton, to whose royal beneficence our friends were indebted for their dinner, the boutonnières were cotton bolls from the Teche county. In the center of the table was a horse-shoe, in flowers, arranged in six sections, so that each guest could take with him to his home a pleasant reminder of the occasion. In the center of the horse-shoe was an exquisite little wicker basket filled with cotton. In the center of the staple was a handful or so of rice—the whole being a practical pun,—a rise in cotton.

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Canadian Foxhound Show

English Foxhounds Shown at Canadian National Sportsmen's Dog Show at Toronto Coliseum

Alexander Mackay-Smith

The first Canadian Annual English Foxhound Show, under the auspices of the Masters of Foxhounds Association of America and held in conjunction with the Canadian National Sportsmen's Dog Show, took place at the Coliseum, Toronto, on March 17th. Judges were J. Watson Webb of Shelburne, Vermont and Stanley Reeve of Unionville, Pennsylvania. Entries were shown from the London Hunt, the Eglinton Hunt and the Toronto and North York Hunt.

All in all this was a most promising beginning of what may confidently be expected to become one of our important hound shows. A considerable factor in its favor was that hound men and women could concentrate on one breed and type. The English hounds did not have to contend with the divided attention necessarily involved at the Bryn Mawr show, for example, where American, Penn-Marydel and Cross-bred hounds are shown as well as assorted beagles. As a matter of fact the total number of hounds shown at Toronto compared very favorably with the number of entries in the English division at Bryn Mawr in recent years.

As a group the entries demonstrated two things. The first is that the present day English foxhound is a lighter, smaller and sounder animal than the type popular at Peterborough before the first World War, a type which unfortunately seems to have become established in the minds of too many American hound men as the typical English foxhound. The second is that Masters in North America now prefer to go for new blood to the provincial English packs, hunting the colder scenting countries, rather than to the fashionable shire packs which were so much patronised a generation ago. Both factors augur well for the future of English hounds on this side of the Atlantic.

Eglinton Hunt won the first class, for unentered single dog hounds, with a well balanced young dog by North Staffordshire Porter '51 out of Grove and Rufford Rally '52. The balance of the dog hound division, however, was dominated by Toronto and North York and by the progeny of their stallion hounds, Cattistock Reason '47 (Cattistock Woolcombe '40—Cattistock Riga '45) and Avon Vale Prodigal '50 (Avon Vale Vandyke '46—Avon Vale Patchwork '46). The former sired the winning couple of entered dogs, the two couple of foxhound dogs and the single entered dog, Actor '53 (ex Actress '48), a compact, well-balanced dog, a bit on the small side, who was later declared Champion English Foxhound Dog. These winnings and Cattistock Reason's win in the class for stallion hounds would certainly have delighted A. Henry Higginson, ex-M. F. H. of the Cattistock, who was so largely responsible for his bloodlines. Mr. Higginson is known to our readers as a former President of the Masters of Foxhounds Association of America and as one of the most valued contributors to these columns.

The younger stud dog, Avon Vale Prodigal '50, on the other hand was the sire of the winning couple of unentered dog hounds and won the class for the best stallion hound shown with two of

his get. In the classes for bitches he was even more successful, his produce winning for the Toronto and North York the classes for the single bitch unentered, the couple of bitches unentered, the two couple of bitches, and the J. Watson Webb trophy for the best two couple of foxhounds. Both Reason and Prodigal are much the same type—active, compact and small enough to negotiate the woven wire fences which have become a permanent part of most of our hunting countries.

No small part of Prodigal's success was due to Toronto and North York Vivian '49 by Victor '45—Symphony '44. All his winning produce listed above, expect the unentered couple of doghounds, were out of this bitch which also won the brood bitch class.

The entered bitch classes turned out to be a duel between Grove and Rufford (Eglinton) Rally '52 (Brocklesby Rockwood '47—Grove Spicey '50) and Toronto and North York Wisdom '53 (Winter '50—Gaily '52). The former is rather a small bitch, but very truly made with the typical Belvoir tan markings, including a very dark saddle. Wisdom, on the other hand, is a bit larger, equally well made, with a wonderful head and neck and with the lemon pye color which perhaps comes through a remote American cross (1/256) in the Meadowbrook ancestry of her dam. After considerable deliberation the judges gave first ribbon to Rally '52. Wisdom then came back into the ring with Definite '53 (out of Wisdom's dam), also lemon pye, and beat Rally '52 and Grove Welcome '50 (Kilkenny Woodlark '47—Grove Prospect '46) in the Couple of Entered Bitches class. Rally and Wisdom came up against each other for the third time in the Champion Bitch class. Wisdom, handled loose and all attention looking for biscuits, showed herself superbly and it looked very much as though the judges were going to reverse themselves and award her the tri-color. Consistency prevailed, however, and Eglinton thus divided the championships with Toronto and North York.

Next year there should certainly be more entries from more hunts in Canada and the United States, particularly from the more northerly packs which are not able to hunt at this time of year. The facilities of the Coliseum are unsurpassed; there is, in fact, everything to make

the show a continuing and increasing success.

SUMMARIES

- Class 1. Single Dog, Unentered.**
1. Eglinton Ruler by North Staffs Porter '51—Grove and Rufford Rally '52.
2. Toronto and North York Prowler by Avon Vale Prodigal '50—Vivian '49.
- Class 2. Couple of Dogs, Unentered.**
1. Toronto and North York Whynot and Whipcord by Avon Vale Prodigal '50—Witness '44.
2. Eglinton Richmond and Ruler by North Staffs Porter '51—Grove and Rufford Rally '52.
3. Toronto and North York Prowler and Prompter by Avon Vale Prodigal '50—Vivian '49.
- Class 3. Single Dog, Entered.**
1. Toronto and North York Actor '53 by Cattistock Reason '47—Actress '48.
2. Eglinton Admiral '51 by Cattistock Reason '47—Mr. Stewart's Cheshire Alice '48.
3. London Ringwood '49 by Shelburn Grafton '46—Shelburn Roguish '46.
- Class 4. Couple of Dogs, Entered.**
1. Toronto and North York Remus '50 and Remington '50 by Cattistock Reason '47—Narrative '45.
2. Eglinton Rallywood '51 by Cattistock Reason '47—Barmald; Eglinton Bedford '53 by Dashwood '51—Baroness '48.
3. London Otter '50 by Reason '47—Kelpie '48; London Onward '50 by Ringwood '49—Melbourne '46.
- Class 5. Stallion, Certified to be the sire of living puppies.**
1. Cattistock (Toronto and North York) Reason '47 by Cattistock Woolcombe '40—Cattistock Riga '45.
2. Eglinton Rallywood '51 by Cattistock Reason '47—Barmald '47.
3. London Ringwood '49 by Grafton '46—Roguish '46.
- Class 6. The Ladies' Challenge Cup, Best Stallion English Foxhound shown with two of his get.**
1. Avon Vale (Toronto and North York) Prodigal '50 by Avon Vale Vandyke '46—Avon Vale Patchwork '46 with Precious '54 and Princess '54 ex Vivian '49.
2. Eglinton Rallywood '51 by Cattistock Reason '47—Barmald '47 with Ringdove '54 and Ransack '54 ex Rolling Rock Ransome '48.
3. London Ringwood '49 by Grafton '46—Roguish '46 with Ringlet '54 and Romper '54 ex Antie '49.
- Class 7. Champion English Foxhound Dog.**
1. Toronto and North York Actor '53 by Cattistock Reason '47—Actress '48.
2. Eglinton Ruler '54 by North Staffs Porter '51—Grove and Rufford Rally '52.
- Class 8. Two Couple of English Foxhound Dogs.**
1. Toronto and North York Remus '50 and Remington '50 by Cattistock Reason '47—Narrative '45; Wicklow '54 by Cattistock Reason '47—Wilful '51; Actor '53 by Cattistock Reason '47—Actress '48.
2. Eglinton Richmond '54 and Ruler '54 by North Staffs Porter '51—Grove and Rufford Rally '52; Rallywood '51 by Cattistock Reason '47—Barmald '47; Bedford '53 by Dashwood '51—Baroness '48.
- Class 9. Single Bitch, Unentered.**
1. Toronto and North York Prentice by Avon Vale Prodigal '50—Vivian '49.
2. Eglinton Doris by Rallywood '51—Dora '51.
3. London Ringlet by Ringwood '49—Antie '49.
- Class 10. Couple of Bitches, Unentered.**
1. Toronto and North York Precious and Princess by Avon Vale Prodigal '50—Vivian '49.
2. Eglinton Ringdove and Ransack by Rallywood '51—Rolling Rock Ransome '48.
3. London Ringlet and Romper by Ringwood '49—Antie '49.
- Class 11. Single Bitch, Entered.**
1. Grove and Rufford (Eglinton) Rally '52 by Brocklesby Rockwood '47—Grove Spicey '50.

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Beagle Trials

A Trip to the Annual Jack Rabbit Trials Of the Sportsmen's Beagle Club

Morgan Wing, Jr.

On Friday afternoon Feb. 10th Anne Wing, Morgan Wing, Jr., Joint-Masters and Sally Makiver, whipper-in, started forth from Millbrook with four couple of Sandanona Beagles to attend the annual Sportsmen's Beagle Club jack rabbit trial on invitation of Mr. Joseph H. Baldwin, Milltown, near West Chester, Pa.

The first leg of our journey was run in as direct a line as possible to the home of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Jones, Gladstone, N. J., Joint-Master with Hali-burton Fales II of the Tewksbury Bassets. Arriving promptly at 7:00 P. M. (no comments from readers who know us), our beagles were well taken care of in the Jones' kennel though some of the beagles were most confused at the sight of the long low slung, crooked legged occupants. Shortly we were sitting in the living room enjoying some "high" tea followed by a delicious dinner prepared by Betty Jones, among other accomplishments, custodian of the Tewksbury jack rabbit department. Patrick Jones produced a large net which had been used by him and his mother on some exciting chases in the cellar without the aid of bassets prior to a Tewksbury hunt. We had also been joined by Charles Von Pett, secretary of Tewksbury, and his attractive wife.

Conversation eventually turned to hounds (bassets are most definitely included in this category) and a description of the Tewksbury hunt, January 31st following the Masters of Beagles dinner in New York City on the 29th. The hunt was attended by Charles Rogers, Master of Timber Ridge Bassets; Victor Weyhight, secretary; other dignitaries and members of the Field. The weather was extremely cold, two jacks were found almost immediately—sworn statement to the effect that they were not connected with Betty Jane's cellar—I was told that two bassets performed a most miraculous trailing feat over plow. In fact the Tewksbury master stated, "It is doubtful whether a beagle under such conditions would have been able to stick to the line." I immediately became intensely alive as though I had been administered with a double shot of something power packed. My retort was that I had several hounds who had trailed a hare along an icy state road which was passed a few minutes before their arrival at least, and I repeat, at least a dozen automobiles, one of which had recently passed over the body of a skunk—and so on into the night.

The evening broke up, however, on most amicable terms with a week-end planned in Millbrook, March 13 and 14, the Tewksbury to hunt Thorndale from our kennels on Saturday the 13th at 3:00 P. M. I assure everyone their process will be closely scrutinized and we have some long stretches of plow which we trust will be well frozen though I fear at that time of the year we will be on the way to thaw.

At 6:00 A. M. the next morning we were away to the farm of Joseph Baldwin where we arrived promptly at 9:00 A. M. to submit our pack entries. There were eight 13-inch two couple entries and four 15 inch two couple entries. Follow-

ing the draw for order of running, the packs were auctioned off and I rushed the purchase of my number two 15 inch pack, a purchase which proved quite profitable as they were the eventual winners.

The pack entries were mostly made up by members of the Sportsmen's Beagle Club who put together their individually owned hounds into two couple packs, in other words mixed ownership was permitted. The registered National Beagle Club pack competitors were Treweryn Beagles, Berwyn, Pa., David B. Sharp, Jr. Master; Little Prospect Beagles, Jarrington, Pa., Mr. and Mrs. Anthony N. B. Garvan, Joint-Masters; and the Sandanona. It was most encouraging to see Tony Garvan turn out for the trial in his first year as a registered pack. It is so hoped by all that he will compete at the Nationals next fall and give us all the stimulus of another new pack as a competitor. Last year the Whitford Beagles from Cleveland Heights, Ohio, made their first appearance at these traditional trials. In November 1954, the 65th Annual Field Trials will be run. No other field trial club in the United States whether hounds or bird dogs can equal this record.

Following the draw and auction of the packs we departed for the site of the trials on the nearby farm of Marshall B. Jones at Westtown. The quarry for the trials were jack rabbits which had been flown from Wyoming. They had not been in their crates much over 20 hours and when released, only a few minutes before hounds were laid on the line, big strong devils they were, lit out with such speed and stamina that all packs had good runs never coming close to their quarry. The extremely cold weather with some wind made scenting conditions very spotty causing the packs to work their jacks slowly with considerable care. There were few straight away drives. I do not think the foot enthusiasts and there were about 100 spectators could have followed the twelve packs all day if conditions had been the same as Sunday, the next day when the weather was a bit warmer and scent rather good.

Among those who came down to support the effort of the Treweryn pack were: A. William Batton; West Frazier; James Lamb, Jr., and his wife Eleanor; Justice Williams; Howard and Cintra Fair; John Todd; and Betsy Bolling who appeared very smart in her new Treweryn green coat and colors.

To keep the program moving for both 13 inch and 15 inch pack owners, first a 13 inch pack would be run and then a 15 inch pack. This plan to alternate the running of the packs is a very good idea, I feel. The judges were mounted on good horses and were well up behind the packs and had no difficulty whatsoever observing the performance of the hounds particularly at the all important check points.

The results at the end of a long day were:

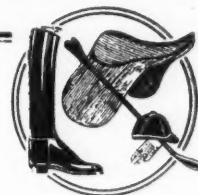
13 inch packs—1. Chatwood and Beechbrook pack hunted by Tony Sume; 2. Treweryn Beagles hunted by David "Bun" Sharp; 3. Garden State pack.

Incidentally Chatwood was a winner at the fall trial of the club last October.

15 inch packs—1. Sandanona Beagles, hunted by Morgan Wing, Jr.; 2. Treweryn Beagles; 3. Little Prospect Beagles, hunted by Tony Garvan.

Saturday night, we spent with Howard and Cintra Fair at their Fox Hill Farm, Kennett Square. A most delightful evening and our hounds comfortably kennelled in one of their fine box stalls. Sunday morning we again reported to headquarters at the Baldwin farm where hounds were entered in both the 13 inch and 15 inch individual combined pack stakes. There were 24 13 inch entries and 26, 15 inch entries. The judges were well mounted on hunters and consisted

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Beagle Trials

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of Mrs. John B. Hannum, Master of Cheshire Hounds, Unionville and David Sharp, Master of Treweryn Beagles. (Treweryn had no entries in either stake)

I have never witnessed such a fast pace as the first jack was released and in pursuit 24 13 inch beagles. Scent was excellent compared with the previous day and though I consider myself fairly good on my feet (no comparison with my wife Anne and Sally Makiver who were subject to many comments from the men as being swifter than Diana, goddess of the hunt) I found myself hopelessly behind most of the day, never seeming to be able to get to the checks before the pack was off again. There were so many spectators on foot, on horse and in cars, close to 400 I would judge, that the jack was almost continuously under observation and as a result there were few checks for there was always someone able to guide the pack in the right direction at a check. The Wyoming jacks, unlike the jacks I had ever seen before, were almost white and could very easily be kept in eyesight for a considerable distance, due to their color which certainly did not blend with the brown of the countryside.

After two hours of almost continuous running on two stout jacks which finally eluded the pursuers, the winners were selected in the 13 inch stake which was run fast. In the afternoon an even faster pace was maintained with the slightly larger hounds.

I would also like to mention that there was spirited bidding for the individual hounds at the auction. The Sandanona hounds having won the 15 inch two couple stake the previous day much to my embarrassment were given a lot of propaganda by the auctioneer who was most persuasive and apt at his trade—not specializing in selling beagles but livestock—though his technique, I must say, worked like a charm and a large pot was built up for the beaglers. I am afraid that some of our hounds sold far higher than they should have. At the conclusion of the bidding, much to my consternation—poor man—Jack Makiver, had purchased all the Sandanona entries, which amounted to seven and a pretty tune. Mr. Makiver who lives near Wayne, and is the father of our whipper-in, Sally, a student at Bennet Junior College, was our host for Sunday. I was concerned about the condition of my hounds for what might almost be called a whippet race and promptly purchased a half interest to insure a bed for that night after the results were announced. This proved to be a very wise decision as Sandanona placed no hands in either stake.

After two hours of almost continuous running on two jacks in the vicinity of the Sullivan farm near General Greene, who finally eluded their pursuers, the winner was selected. The 13 inch winners were:

1. Valley Del Sue, Joseph Sharp, Glen Moore; 2. Hollow Run Trudy, Bill Camp, Franklin, Va.; 3. Woodgrove Mitzi, Lew Wook, Kirkwood; 4. Rocco's Black Beauty, Dan Morocco, West Trenton, N. J.

The Sandanona entries did very well in the first hour and a half of each hunt but simply could not take the pace and lagged badly at the close of each hunt. The close working pack hound will not be able to lead this type of stake in which the judges must continuously be rating those hounds doing the best work in the first flight.

The Sandanona Beagles was the only formal registered pack entries in these stakes but two of them—15 inch hounds—had placed first and second in the National Beagle Club two hour stake. The pace is so completely different between the cottontail stake and the jack stake that another year, this was our first attendance at these trials, I would enter a hound in these stakes that was a three to fourth season hound and much fitter and faster. My Aldie stake winner who was consistently steady in her work was eight years old, and just faded in the final minutes of the jack stake.

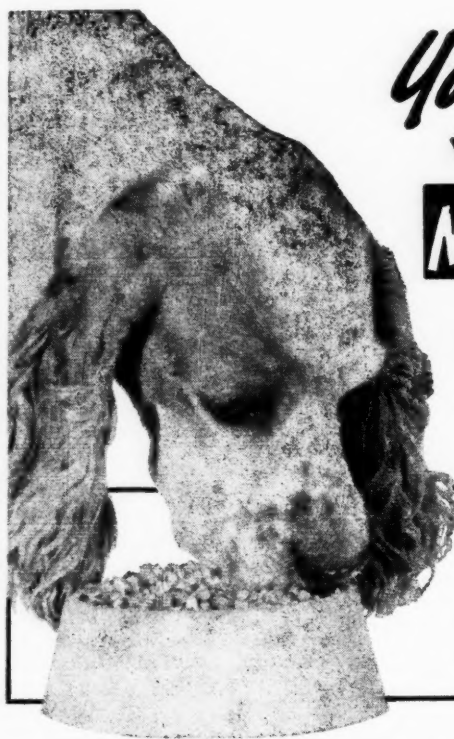
On the contrary it would appear that the same two couple combination as one would enter at the National are the hounds that will perform the best at these trials for teamwork and steady close work is still the criterion on which the outcome of the two couple classes depended.

The 15 inch winners were:

1. Octorara Doc, Roy L. Weaver, Peachbottom; 2. Peachbottom Nipper, Frank Cassidy, Peachbottom; 3. Rolling Rock, Edward Sheller, Allton Station; 4. Run Hollow Archie, Bill Camp, Franklin, Va.

It was most interesting and I might add most satisfactory that of seventeen jacks released, they were so strong and such good runners that not one was killed. In two instances in the individual stakes, the pace was so killing that the jacks were pushed just about to the limit of their endurance for close to an hour. They appeared to be in danger of being pulled down and at an appropriate check Joseph Baldwin who was always up front on his fine mount directing the proceedings ordered the handlers to catch and pick up their hounds to save the jack. Following the successful execution of this maneuver, a fresh jack was

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Hounds have been steady in their work and proved very fast on a line. Hounds met Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays but I shall only note the special days.

Thanksgiving Day hounds met at Celeste and Charlie Harper's, with Charlie acting Master in the absence of M. F. H. John Barnes Mull who with Mrs. Mull was attending the Mexican Carrera Pan American Road Race in which they plan to drive next year and we think a horse is a challenge! After two good runs the Field adjourned to the Harper's for a ride.

Our Christmas hunt was held on Saturday and found us being sent off by Preston and Helene Liversidge who were entertaining us later at their Sycamore Farms. Hounds soon found on the ridge and really went away. After trying every trick in the book he was highly obliging and went to ground right in back of Sycamore. We were all saying, "This is service." It was a wistful group that cantered past our future hosts' front door urged on by early arriving guests as Albert went on to find another. This one took us across Route 100 and back. When we finally made the party we found the others 20 lengths ahead of us and commiserating with Jack Hill up from Radnor and nursing an ankle which lost an argument with a tree and made him pull up from the second burst.

Many young representatives from the surrounding hunts met for the invitation junior hunt held at Josie and Bill Hopkins' Colebrook Farms which is also the site of the kennels. Hounds moved off with Nonnie Mills acting whip and found their first fox above Colebrook that led a twisting course. He should have won a driving medal for the way he took to earth with hounds inches from his brush. Drawing up country they soon found another which when put to ground left the Field a mighty long hack home.

Mrs. Hopkins' daughters Barbara and Sidney Smith were hostesses at breakfast to the Field which included such well-known enthusiasts of ring and chase as Sally and Leslie Liversidge, Peter Kane, Bruce Wampler, Wayne Donohue, Richie Jones, Sue Metz, Johanna Hall, Hutchie and Eddie Dawes, Bobby, Johnnie and Tommy McKelvey, Susan and Pat Brown and Cynthia Betner.

February proved to be one of the years' coldest days with the mercury hovering around 20 degrees. This did not deter Rose Tree's visiting Master Thomas Simmons and his Eskimos including a real hunt loving Eskimoess, Mrs. Milton Peake. Why a fox would venture out was a mystery, although one was soon found scent remained sketchy, hound work was excellent with several fast

bursts one of which royally lost the Field. The Field somewhat chagrined viewed a third fox which was not the same fox. Hounds having encountered earth troubles again were put on the third fox but could do little with him. It was a mighty chilled group that returned to Anne and George Chandlers' hospitality.

With hunting scheduled until April first we are looking forward to more pleasure. Hunt president John Randolph Young has announced that plans are underway for the horse show on April 25th. —C. H.

Beagle Trials

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liberated. It was good to see this fine display of sportsmanship to save a good running jack that had given us so much sport.

At noon each day we all returned to Joseph Baldwin's farm where hot coffee and sandwiches, etc. were available. I wish to congratulate the officers and members of the Sportsmen's Beagle Club on the fine sport shown and the excellent and smooth manner in which the trial was conducted. I trust that the secretary, Al Weitz, West Chester, Pa., and Joseph H. Baldwin will send all the registered beagle packs invitations to participate in the trial next year. We had fine hosts and a good trial. The Sandanona enjoyed a real sporting week end and hope that it will meet many more competitors in the two couple stakes on the field of battle in 1955.

Foxhound Show

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2. Toronto and North York Wisdom '53 by Winter '50—Gaily '52.
3. London Penny '52 by Viceroy '49—Antic '49.

Class 12. Couple of Bitches, Entered.

1. Toronto and North York Wisdom '53 by Winter '50—Gaily '52; Definite '53 by Mr. Stewart's Cheshire Dealer '45—Girdle '46.
2. Grove and Rufford (Eglinton) Rally '52 by Brocklesby Rockwood '47—Grove Spicey '50; Grove (Eglinton) Welcome '50 by Killenny Woodlark '47—Grove Prospect '46.
3. London Pieti '52 and Penny '52 by Viceroy '49—Antic '49.

Class 13. Brood Bitch. Certified to be the dam of living puppies.

1. Toronto and North York Vivian '49 by Victor '45—Symphony '44.
2. Grove and Rufford (Eglinton) Rally '52 by Brocklesby Rockwood '47—Grove Spicey '50.
3. London Penny '52 by Viceroy '49—Antic '49.

Class 14. Champion English Foxhound Bitch.

1. Grove and Rufford (Eglinton) Rally '52 by Brocklesby Rockwood '47—Grove Spicey '50.
2. Toronto and North York Wisdom '53 by Winter '50—Gaily '52.

Class 15. Two Couple of English Foxhound Bitches.

1. Toronto and North York Precious, Princess, Prentice, Prudence '54 by Avon Vale Prodigal '50—Vivian '49.
2. Eglinton Ringdove and Ransack '54 by Rallywood '51—Rolling Rock Ransome '48; Grove and Rufford (Eglinton) Rally '52 by Brocklesby Rockwood '47—Grove Spicey '50; Grove (Eglinton) Welcome '50 by Killenny Woodlark '47—Grove Prospect '46.

Class 16. The J. Watson Webb Challenge Cup for English Foxhounds. For the best Two Couples of English Foxhounds.

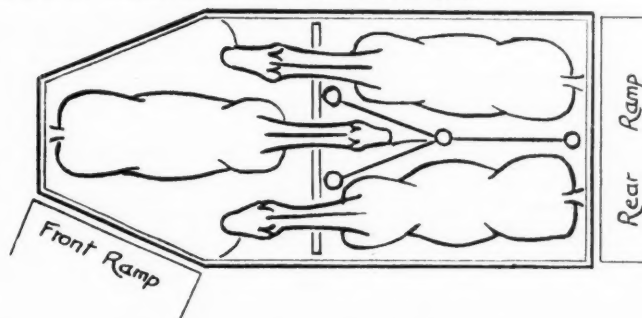
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2. Eglinton Ringdove and Ransack '54 by Rallywood '51—Rolling Rock Ransome '48; Rallywood '51 by Cattistock Reason '47—Barmaid '47; Bedford '53 by Dashwood '51—Baroness '46.

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Frank Thomas Champion Of Warrenton Hunt Senior Hunter Trials

The clouds looked like rain and in some places drops of rain fell Tuesday morning but the sun shown through just before the first class of the Warrenton Hunt Hunter Trials. Due to the early start, the trials finished in excellent time around 3:30 p. m. This year the course was set up on Mr. and Mrs. William Schlusemeyer's Broadview, part of it being over the Virginia Gold Cup timber fences.

Mr. and Mrs. Dulany Randolph's consistent, little chestnut hunter, Frank Thomas, proved to be the outstanding horse of the day. He topped the two largest classes, owners and the Virginia championship tryouts, the events having 39 and 29 entries respectively. In each of these \$50 was added for the paneling fund of the hunt represented by the winner. As a result, Mrs. Randolph and Frank Thomas took home \$100 to Piedmont Fox Hounds! Besides this, they accounted for the Warrenton Hunt Challenge Trophy for the champion of the trials. The mannerly gelding showed his worth throughout the day but especially in the tryouts.

The purpose of these tryouts was to help various hunts pick their representatives for the champion hunter of Virginia trials. The entries were divided into two groups. Each group rode at a fast hunting pace behind Field Master William Wilbur over part of the trial course and some natural hunting country, having two checks. The top 8 were then put to individual tests to ascertain their handiness, manners and way of galloping, having to gallop over 2 fences, pull down to a jog over a small jump, stop, turn and jog back over the same, ending by galloping across a field and coming to a dead stop in front of the judges.

Members of the Casanova Hunt had quite a successful day also. John Hopewell, Joint-Master of Casanova and his clean fencing bay, Magic Genoli, took top honors in the middleweight class, 3rd in the tryouts and was reserve champion.

Herbert Bryant's Sir Bryan accounted for the heavyweight class while Mrs. Cyrus Manierre's Don Jean from Orange County Hunt won the lightweight event. Restive Fancy, owned by William Schlusemeyer, accounted for the local hunter class.

CORRESPONDENT TERRY DRURY

PLACE: Warrenton, Va.
TIME: March 23.
JUDGES: Jack Prestage & Alfred Allen.
HUNTER CH.: Frank Thomas, Mr. & Mrs. Dulany Randolph.
RES.: Magic Genoli, John Hopewell.

SUMMARIES

Local hunters—1. Restive Fancy, William Schlusemeyer; 2. Quench, Mrs. Alex Calvert; 3. Conjure Ghost, William Rochester, Jr.; 4. Gold Bar, Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth J. Edwards.
Owners to ride—1. Frank Thomas, Mr. & Mrs. Dulany Randolph (Piedmont Hunt); 2. Stromboli, Mrs. Henry Loomis (Middleburg Hunt); 3. Roustabout, Capt. George C. Fox (Potomac Hunt); 4. Night Raider, Andrew Bartenstein (Warrenton Hunt).

Middleweight hunters—1. Magic Genoli, John Hopewell (Casanova Hunt); 2. Bobby Tells, Mrs. Henry Loomis (Middleburg Hunt); 3. Roustabout; 4. Sherwood, Herbert Bryant (Casanova Hunt).
Heavyweight hunters—1. Sir Bryan, Herbert Bryant (Casanova Hunt); 2. Rumba, A. P. Hinckley (Old Dominion Hunt); 3. Dubonnet, Mrs. Robert C. Winmill (Warrenton Hunt); 4. Windemere, Over the Hill Farm (Hazelmere Hunt).

Virginia championship tryouts—1. Frank Thomas; 2. Trafalgar, Oliver Durant (Hazelmere Hunt); 3. Magic Genoli; 4. Roustabout.

Lightweight hunters—1. Don Jean, Mrs. Cyrus

Manierre (Orange County Hunt); 2. *Janthe II, Fox Hollow Stables (Rapidan Hunt); 3. Frank Thomas; 4. Rustum, Stewart Treviranus (Blue Ridge Hunt).

1. Hunt teams—1. Entry, Casanova Hunt; 2. Entry, Warrenton Hunt Team No. 1; 3. Entry Loudoun Hunt.

Mint Leaf Wins Pine Crest Cup At Tryon Hounds Hunter Trials

A cool misty day made the 1954 Tryon Hunter Trials a trying one on the spectators as well as the exhibitors but all showed their ardent love for the horse and turned out. The hard rain did hold off until after the eight hunt teams had gone and then the sky "opened up".

The four events of the trial were held on the Herbert Oliver's Fancy Hill. This perannum hunter trial course makes a good test of a hunter, the terraces of a long ago vineyard on the steep hillsides makes the galloping unusual and often difficult for a horse not accustomed to the terrain. However, a good horse given just a few days in the Tryon area soon learns to negotiate the hillsides as proved by the winner of the young event—Tick Tock, a good looking big chestnut brought to Tryon by Fox Covert Farm of Metamora, Michigan. Tick Tock was ridden very well by Glenn Wenger to be picked in the first event of the morning.

The second event was for working hunters ridden by an amateur who subscribes to a pack of hounds and has hunted his mount with that pack of hounds. This event was won by John Donald on his lovely 5-year-old Gallant Folly. I know it was a pleasure for John to have such a good go with the youngster in her first hunter trial. John bred, raised, and broke this mare himself and the dam, White's Folly, is still a regular with Tryon Hounds.

During the two hour intermission a picnic lunch was served on the beautiful house site of Fancy Hill. This is always a good social time for the visitors.

The first afternoon event was the open for the Pine Crest Cup over a different course. The cup this year went to Mint Leaf, owned and ridden by Gordon Wright of Secor Farms, White Plains, N. Y. The Pine Crest Cup has been in competition for a number of years, being placed in competition by the C. B.

Sweatts of Minneapolis in memory of the very good hunting horse, Dan Dart.

The fun event of the day is always the hunt teams which was won by a well matched team of bays—Mint Leaf, Do I Dare and Polly, ridden by Gordon Wright, Mrs. George Gagnier and J. Arthur Reynolds. The crowd always gets pleasure in seeing the teams attempt to get together over the last fence and still maintain the pace and spacing.

CORRESPONDENT EMILY WEBSTER

PLACE: Tryon, N. C.
TIME: March 13.
JUDGE: Denison B. Hull.

SUMMARIES

Young hunters (foaled after Jan. 1, 1948)—1. Tick Tock, Fox Covert Farms; 2. Ultimate Folly, Mrs. W. E. Kuhn; 3. Mint Leaf, Gordon Wright; 4. Lively Sal, Victoria Buchen.

Working hunters (amateurs who have hunted with pack)—1. Gallant Folly, Mr. & Mrs. John S. Donald; 2. Teepee, Mrs. J. A. Blackwood; 3. Grey Stone, Arthur Farwell; 4. Crewy Lou, Kitten Bingham.

Open hunters (Pine Crest Cup)—1. Mint Leaf; 2. Tick Tock; 3. Nydrie, Hugh Grant Strauss; 4. The Baron, J. Arthur Reynolds.
Hunt teams—1. Mint Leaf; Do I Dare, Fox Covert Farms; Polly, J. Arthur Reynolds; 2. Nydrie; Happy Ways, J. Arthur Reynolds; El Shalimar, P. H. Oliver; 3. Penny Ante, Mrs. C. B. Sweatt; Kurzon, Mr. & Mrs. C. B. Sweatt; Teepee; 4. J. E. B. Stuart, Open Spring, Hickory, W. E. Kuhn.

Hunter Trials

APRIL

- 3—Rose Tree Hunter Trials & Colt Show, Media, Pa.
- 3—Glenmore Hunt Hunter Trials, Staunton, Va.
- 4—Smithtown Hunt Hunter Trials, Smithtown, L. I.
- 10—Radnor Hunt Hunter Trials & Pt.-to-Pt., White Horse, Pa.
- 10—Meadow Brook Hounds Hunter Trials, Syosset, L. I.
- 11—Shakerag Hounds Hunter Trials, Atlanta, Ga.
- 17—Sedgefield Hunt Hunter Trials & Hunt Ball, Sedgefield, N. C.
- 17—Jr. Beaufort Hunt Hunter Trials, Harrisburg, Pa.
- 24-25—Rocky Fork Headley Hunt Races & Hunter Trials, Gahanna, Ohio.
- 25—Whitelands Hunt Hunter Trials, Whitford, Pa.
- 25—Valley Forge Farm Hunter Trials, Valley Forge, Pa.

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- 26—Horsemanship Club Hunter Trials, Hudson, Canada.

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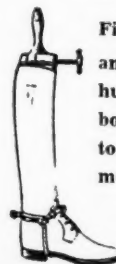


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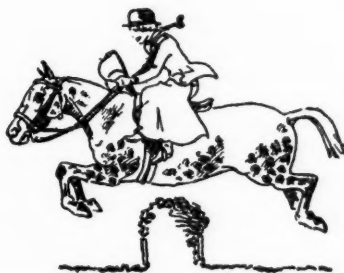
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Horse Shows

Weekly News

From The Show Circuits



Columbus Riding Club

With near blizzard conditions outside, the first of a series of early spring shows was held at the Columbus Riding Club. Regardless of the weather, there was plenty of talent shown by the young riders, and with the cold, talent was required to stay with some of the spirited horses.

Consistently successful were Miss Kay Allen's Donegal, winning three firsts and a third in four classes; and John Zettler's Touraine, who placed regularly with good rounds. There were some exciting moments in the beginners jumping, but all ended well and the older riders will soon have to look to their laurels. The main trouble was that the girls had a hard time keeping their minds on the horses with such a handsome judge to distract them.

For the first time in many years, two polo pony classes and two chukkers of indoor polo by the Harbor Hills Polo Club were included in the show. It was fascinating to see the well-trained ponies stop and wheel with such cleverness, in the small space. Seeing a bit of polo firsthand should interest many of the show spectators in going out to the beautiful Harbor Hills for games during the regular season.

SHOW CORRESPONDENT L. H. C.

PLACE: Columbus, Ohio.

TIME: March 14.

JUDGE: Jerry Caruso.

SUMMARIES

Intermediate horsemanship (A)—1. Carolyn Shaffer; 2. Verity Blakey; 3. Barbara Park; 4. Anne Esselburne.

Intermediate horsemanship (B)—1. Leah Kirkpatrick; 2. Nancy Seymour; 3. Linda Dresbach; 4. Cathy Cunningham.

Green jumper—1. Touraine, John Zettler; 2. Jumping Jack, Mrs. Jack Campbell; 3. Gallow Lass, Carolyn Scatterday; 4. Blazette, L. J. Bennett.

Horsemanship, 12 and under—1. Peggy Matt; 2. Jule Duerschmitt; 3. Barbara Park; 4. Karen Mykrantz.

Conformation hunter—1. Donegal, Kay Allen; 2. Pop Up, Marilyn Michel; 3. Moonshiner, Bob Cooney; 4. Touraine.

Knock-down-and-out—1. Donegal; 2. Robin Hood, Charlotte Fillinger; 3. Touraine; 4. Blazette.

Beginners jumping—1. Karen Mykrantz; 2. Jule Duerschmitt; 3. Verity Blakey; 4. Barbara Park.

Hunter seat over fences, under 18—1. Kay Allen; 2. Anne Johnston; 3. Carolyn Scatterday; 4. Marilyn Scatterday.

Working hunter—1. Tellabit, Anne Johnston;

2. Touraine; 3. Donegal; 4. Bayberry, Marilyn Scatterday.

Hunter hack—1. Tellabit; 2. Jumping Jack; 3. Bayberry; Gallow Lass.

Jumper stake—1. Donegal; 2. Bayberry; 3. Touraine; 4. Hopscotch, Nancy Walton.

First Annual Indoor

On Saturday, March 6, Culver Military Academy held its First Annual Indoor Horse Show. For the size of the show, and the temperature of the air, a surprising number of spectators turned out.

Both the cadets and the invited exhibitors from Chicago, rode exceptionally well, and fortunately there was no bloodshed or broken bones.

The show commenced with a faculty horsemanship class, open to members of the academy faculty and their families. In the ensuing Working Hunter, some

horses had a little difficulty adjusting themselves to the indoor fences. However, the class proceeded rapidly with Cadet Corky Bjorklund emerging at the top of the score card.

After a luncheon intermission, the show resumed with the Open Jumper class. This event provided some unexpected hilarity, when Cadet Paul Attwater entered the ring on the Clown (and the horse's name well fits the performance). Following the open class, the hunt teams got underway. The Culver Team # II composed of Cadets Bill Wallace, Grant Metcalfe, and Corky Bjorklund, brought home the bacon for Culver, with the Onwentsia # I Team (Lynn Belnap, Mike Williams, and Harry Oppenheimer) running a close 2nd. In the horsemanship over jumps, Cadet Warren Wofford won, Lynn Belnap placed, and Katy Pope showed. As for the Equitation, Lynn Belnap again demonstrated her exceptional seat and control by taking the blue, with Cadet Rick Fye 2nd, Katy Pope 3rd, and Wilson Dennehy bringing up the number four position.

The last class of the day, and the most exciting, was the popular F. E. I. jumping class. The course was designed and constructed according to modified "Prix des Nations" standards and provided some stiff competition for the open horses. By a narrow margin, Cadet Warren Wofford squeezed by to win the trophy and blue. To Cadet Grant Metcalfe went the red. Yellow went to Nick Pavlenko and his marvelous little jumper, Marquis, and white to Cadet Rick Fye.

There were many other fine performances throughout the day; however, space does not allow their mention.

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Annual Indoor Show

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SHOW CORRESPONDENT PETER T. SNITE

PLACE: Culver, Indiana

TIME: March 6

JUDGES: Col. William H. Wood, Col. Robert Rossow, and Lt. Col. C. A. Whitney

SUMMARIES

Faculty horsemanship—1. Elaine Jackson; 2. Melvyn Estey; 3. Greta Hughes; 4. Ann Jurgensen.

Working hunter—1. Johnnie Walker, Cadet Sam Bjorklund; 2. Culver Cadet, Cadet Warren Wofford; 3. Centaur, Mike Williams; 4. Outward Bound, Lynn Belnap.

Open jumper—1. Culver Cadet; 2. Dutch, Cadet Lewis Wexler; 3. T.N.T., Cadet Robert Rich; 4. Never Stop, Carol Giesler.

Hunt teams—1. Culver No. 2 (Merry Legs, Cadet William Wallace; Cyclops, Cadet Grant Metcalfe; Johnnie Walker; 2. Onwentsia No. 1 (Outward Bound; Centaur; Tweedcoat, Harry Oppenheimer; 3. Onwentsia No. 2 (Boutonierre, Jane Moore; Popover, Judy Butler; Potato Chips, Wilson Dennehy); 4. Culver No. 3 (T.N.T.; Sam, Cadet William Peters; Bolivar, Cadet Charles Hinkson).

Handy hunter—1. Merry Legs, Cadet William Wallace; 2. Major, Cadet Richard Fye; 3. Hi Bar, Katy Pope; 4. William "H", Cadet William Wallace.

Horsemanship over jumps—1. Cadet Warren Wofford; 2. Lynn Belnap; 3. Katy Pope; 4. Cadet Richard Fye.

Equitation—1. Lynn Belnap; 2. Cadet Richard Fye; 3. Katy Pope; 4. Wilson Dennehy.

F.E.I. jumping—1. Culver Cadet; 2. Cyclops; 3. Marquis, Nick Pavlenko; 4. William "H".

Olympic-Associated Hunts Benefit

The Associated Hunt Clubs of Oregon opened the 1954 show season with an Olympic-Associated Hunts Benefit show. A spirit of friendly cooperation between the various clubs was mainly responsible for the success of the whole affair, and it was interesting to note that both Western and English enthusiasts were on hand to help out the U. S. Equestrian team. There were no free passes, everyone paid admission and a \$1.00 entry fee was collected for each event.

Novice working hunters opened the show and Tattletail, a new grey shown for the first time by owner Mrs. I. M. Johnson, received the blue ribbon. Open working hunters were shown over the same course raised to 4'-0" and in this class Mrs. Nell Davis' Flamesweep had the winning go.

A class for children's ponies under 14.2 was expected to be quite a popular event but "flu" and the common cold cut down the number of entries to six. Jill Saunders and her Susie made a most able combination and performed very creditably to be awarded first place.

Bill O'Connell's Copper King, a nimble little white horse with a most spectacular style of jumping, won the limit jumpers with a clean go.

Last class of the day was the open jumpers over an F. E. I. course, with a Calcutta betting pool as an added attraction for the spectators. The odds-on favorite, of course, was the 1953 champion Charcoal. A real dark horse was Shalimar, the eventual winner purchased during the "auction" for a measly \$3.00 by her owner Mr. Jim Purcell. Mrs. Johnson rode Shalimar over the difficult course without a fault and also piloted her own Charcoal to 2nd place.

SHOW CORRESPONDENT SHOWBIRD

PLACE: Lake Oswego, Oregon

TIME: March 7

JUDGE: Frank W. O'Connor

SUMMARIES

Novice working hunters—1. Tattletail, Highlands School of Riding; 2. Shalimar, Vicki Purcell; 3. Hi Sam, Allan Penney; 4. Perchene, Dr. George C. Saunders.

Open working hunters—1. Flamesweep, Mrs. Nell Davis; 2. Mr. Chips, Nancy Chipman; 3. Victor, Mary Helen Chubback; 4. Three Sheets, Mrs. D. F. Creary.

Ponies (children under 12 yrs.)—1. Susie, Jill Saunders; 2. Entry, Susan Murray; 3. Entry, Elaine Kiere; 4. Entry, Annette Coons.

Limit jumpers—1. Copper King, Bill O'Connell; 2. Candy, Betty O'Hara; 3. Spendthrift, Harry Chapman; 4. Royal Hawaiian, Don Hansen.

Open jumpers—1. Shalimar; 2. Charcoal; 3. Spendthrift; 4. Ridge Runner, Mrs. Robert Ferry.



Owner-rider Miss Lila Phillips on the 4-year-old Jerrico, reserve hunter champion at the Miami (Fla.) Charity Horse Show.

2nd Annual Washington State Hunter & Jumper

The Washington State Hunter and Jumper Second Annual Horse Show was held in Seattle on February 6 and 7. February 7 was the warmest ever recorded in Seattle for that particular day. With such favorable weather there was a good attendance and a fine entry for such an early show.

A beginner's jumping class, a maiden class, and a novice class were offered for a host of new entries from Jim Rainwater's Rightway Stable in Seattle and Bob Seney's jumping classes at Woodbrook Stables in Tacoma.

O'Toole, owned and ridden by Miss Diane Nelson, won the beginners class; Cherokee, owned and ridden by Miss Susan Rainwater, won the maiden; and Rhythm, owned and ridden by LeRoy Curtis, won the novice.

SHOW CORRESPONDENT HELEN COOK

PLACE: Seattle, Wash.

TIME: February 6-7

JUDGE: Pat Samuel

SUMMARIES

Open jumping—1. Rayhak's Rahwan, Diane Black; 2. Wampus Kitty, Betty MacLane; 3. Thunder, Mrs. H. E. Black; 4. Tipperary, Iris Bryan; 5. Traveler, Iris Bryan.

Equitation, English, 9 & under—1. Suzanne Taylor; 2. Jill McCleave; 3. Sally Hiscock; 4. Diane Padelford; 5. Patty Hatcher.

Equitation, English, 10 to 14—1. Linda Vieths; 2. Cindy Rainwater; 3. Honi MacArthur; 4. Sue Connolly; 5. Susan Rainwater.

Equitation, English, 14 to 17—1. Diane Black; 2. Audrey Bean; 3. Tom Curran; 4. Penny Peterson; 5. Andrea Melany.

English pairs—1. Traveler, Le Van's Masterpiece, Iris Bryan; 2. Suspense, Penny Peterson; Lady Singer, Tom & John Curran; 3. O'Toole, Diane Nelson; Grayson of Idaho, Honi MacArthur; 4. Chief of Idaho, Linda Vieths; Beau Ideal of Idaho, Molly Haroldson; 5. Satan's Holiday, Barbara Lewis; Chitawney, Marilyn Severns.

Bareback back ally jumping—1. Rayhak's Rahwan; 2. Thunder; 3. Cherokee, Susan Rainwater; 4. Tipperary; 5. Topper, James Duggan.

English pleasure—1. Chief of Idaho; 2. Suspense; 3. Lady Ginger; 4. Le Van's Masterpiece; 5. Rayhak's Rahwan.

Musical tires—1. Diana Gwinn; 2. DeDe Inga; 3. Dave Wynstra; 4. Jim Witt; 5. Jud Casey.

Beginner's jumping—1. O'Toole; 2. Cherokee; 3. Jest-Cuz, Terry Norton; 4. Orlu, Capt. Humphreys; 5. Betty Woolen, Faye Padelford.

Gambler's jumping—1. Thunder; 2. Rayhak's Rahwan; 3. Wampus Kitty; 4. Cherokee; 5. Tipperary.

Road hack—1. Rayhak's Rahwan; 2. La Van's Masterpiece; 3. Lady Ginger; 4. Beau Jacque, Mrs. L. Shorett; 5. Tipperary.

Obedience (pleasure horse)—1. Le Van's Masterpiece; 2. Traveler; 3. Chief of Idaho; 4. Sonny, Shirley Peters; 5. Suspense.

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The 1954 show season in Europe started with two large German shows, in Hannover and Berlin. The show in Hannover, although important and well attended, was mostly an inner-German affair. The Berlin event was stronger on international participation, but handicapped by a record cold which affected horses and riders as well as spectator attendance. The foreign ministers of France, George Bidault, and England, Anthony Eden, visited the show and presented prizes in some of the international events. The show took place during the big four foreign ministers conference in Berlin.

In the international team event teams from England, France, Sweden, Germany and the USA participated. Except for the Swedish riders, the foreign teams were mostly composed of military personnel stationed in Germany. The class was won by Germany, followed by Sweden and France.

A jumping event reserved for foreigners was won by the French Capt. Beaufort on his well known "Lutteur" who beat his compatriots Lt. de Fombelle on "Condor" and Mr. Henry Francois-Poncet (the son of the French High Commissioner in Germany) on "Girardi". In other jumping classes, most of them were also open for international participation, two young German farmers, Jochen Matz and Guenter Rodenberg, gave excellent performances and strong competition to seasoned and internationally famous German riders and competitors from other countries.

An important part of the show were the dressage classes. The winner of the dressage event at the Olympic Games of 1952, The Swedish Major St. Cyr on his "Juli", was dominant and unbeatable in all the international events in which they participated. The strongest competition came from another Swede, Major G. Boltenstern on Krest. Two German youngsters (W. Zettl and Rainer Klimke) held their own in many of the dressage events against the elite of the German dressage riders whose names are well known all over Europe.

The French "Cadre Noir", which was seen several years ago in this country, was the main attraction among the exhibition numbers. They included in addition a massed concert of international military bands (England, France, USA and Germany), a quadrille of German Trotters with their drivers in full racing colors, a dressage exhibit by the Berlin mounted police, as well as a Pas de Deux ridden by the internationally known German dressage riders Miss H. Weygand and Walter Schultheiss.

Washington State Show

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Malden jumping—1. Cherokee; 2. Betty Woolen; 3. Rhythm, LeRoy Curtis; 4. Beau Ideal of Idaho; 5. Topper.

Novice jumping—1. Rhythm; 2. Cherokee; 3. Shamrock, Barbara Hoyt; 4. Tally Ho, Ida Ganditz; 5. Jest Cuz.

30th Annual
Cornell Horse Show
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Cornell Horse Show, Barton Hall
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Mrs. Frank D. Christmas on Little Slam, a hunter and race-track lead pony at the Miami (Fla.) Charity Horse Show.

Spectators Enjoy Members Class At Farmington Trials

In spite of a two-day rain which made the going slippery and deep, 34 horses turned out for the hunter trials here. Despite the mud most of the rounds were excellent and that stimulated keen competition.

According to the spectators the members class held the most interest for them as they all hopped out of their cars to watch it in the cold and wind. This class required a horse that had been hunted consistently with Farmington to ride behind a Field Master over a course of his choice. L. T. Ludwig was the Field Master and put that group of hunters to a real test consisting of checks, galloping single file in an open field and jumping every obstacle in the path. I might add Mr. Ludwig's own 19-year-old hunter stood out as one of the best.

Two horses were chosen from that class to represent the Farmington Hunt Club at the Field Hunter Championship of Virginia to be held at Keswick on March 26.

Rainy as it was the day was bright and gay for Miss Elliewood Keith. Her hunter, Dancing Mills, took the blue in the members class. Her other mare, Persian Molly, won the open hunters and a red in Thoroughbred hunters. Miss Keith paired up Persian Molly with Mrs. J. P. Jones' Happy Chance ridden by Mrs. Hebe Peters to win again. That added up to three blues out of five. Mrs. Jones also won 2nd in the members class.

W. G. Jones' Rustling Oaks, last year's Carolina Cup winner, gave a brilliant performance which won the Thoroughbred hunter class easily.

Miss Linda Knickerbocker rode her

Little Chief to victory in the Half-bred class.

The hunter trials brought to a climax a very successful and enjoyable hunting season. This was made possible by our very wonderful M. F. H., Mrs. J. P. Jones, who has contributed a lot of her time and effort and our huntsman, Grover Vandevender.

CORRESPONDENT
JEAN WINSLOW

PLACE: Charlottesville, Va.

TIME: March 13.

JUDGES: George M. Humphrey, Gilbert W. Humphrey, Jack Carpenter.

SUMMARIES

Thoroughbred hunters—1. Rustling Oaks, William G. Jones; 2. Persian Molly, Elliewood Keith; 3. Icecapade, Mrs. Page Jennings; 4. Barab, Mrs. Raymond Barbin.

Half-bred hunters—1. Little Chief, Linda Knickerbocker; 2. Cat, Mrs. W. H. White III; 3. One More Pennant, Mrs. W. H. Perry; 4. Victory, Fred Bocock.

Open hunters—1. Persian Molly; 2. Icecapade; 3. Sky Dandy, Springhaven Farm; 4. Happy Chance, Mrs. J. P. Jones.

Pairs of hunters—1. Persian Molly; Happy Chance; 2. Barab; Grey Ember, Mrs. R. Barbin; 3. Little Chief; Confidence, Paula Knickerbocker; 4. Icecapade; War Blossom, Shawnee Farm.

Members class—1. Dancing Mills, Elliewood Keith; 2. Happy Chance; 3. Diva-K, Penny Jennings; 4. Sobri, Courtney Wells.

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Letters To The Editor

Alken Painting

Dear Sir:

In regard to the Henry Alken, Sr. painting reproduced on the front cover and the article on page 35, may I add that Mr. Emanuel, in addition to being a former Master of the Woodland Pythley, was also Joint Master of the Pythley.

We enjoy The Chronicle and like its new format.

Thank you.

Yours very truly,

Lewis Stevens

March 16, 1954

New York, New York
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Clear and Fair

Dear Sir:

May I, through the hospitable columns of your weekly, congratulate Baron Alexis Wrangel on his excellent article "Dressage—Caprilli" which appeared in your issue of Feb. 19th? Nothing could have been clearer or fairer, or more accurately define the essence and the objects of the two systems and the mode and reason of (what should be) their application. I may add that even the purest Caprilli does not exclude, and never did exclude what, as the Frenchman quoted by Wrangel puts it, the rider's giving discreet hints (and at times even more than discreet for no Caprilli horseman was ever a "passenger") to his equine partner.

I would also call the attention of "The Chronicle" readers to what Baron Wrangel has to say about the careful use that should be made of the *cavalletti*. Infinite harm can be done by the careless employment of one of the simplest but most effective schooling contrivances ever conceived. Incidentally the *cavalletti* should never be more than six in a row; beyond this number the horse is apt to attempt to run out and any possibility of "difference of opinion"

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POLO NEWS



Palm Springs Club Takes 2, Loses 1 in 3-Match Arizona Polo Junket

Willard H. Porter

A polo team from Palm Springs, California, invaded Arizona in March and played three games. The team won two and lost one at the East Ft. Lowell arena at Tucson. The matches were played against the Pima County Polo Club and the University of Arizona team.

On March 13 an inspired PCPC trio whipped the Palm Springs malletmen by a score of 7-6. Palm Springs led the match, 6-4, in the final chukker. But then John Donaldson, former U. of A. polo captain, knocked in three goals to put the PCPC ahead by one point. His last goal, scored seconds before the final whistle, came when he smashed a really brilliant under-the-neck shot 25 yards away from the goal.

Besides Donaldson, Sam Watson, Jack Goodman, Jack Stilb and James Douglas played on the winning side.

The Palm Springs team includes Bob Wintringer in No. 1 position, Bill Allen in No. 2 spot and Guy Campbell in No. 3 position. Actually, this club works out of La Jolla in the summer, when it is called the La Jolla Club. These men have played a lot together and are a well coordinated, well mounted unit. Campbell is rated at three goals, Allen at three and Wintringer at 2.

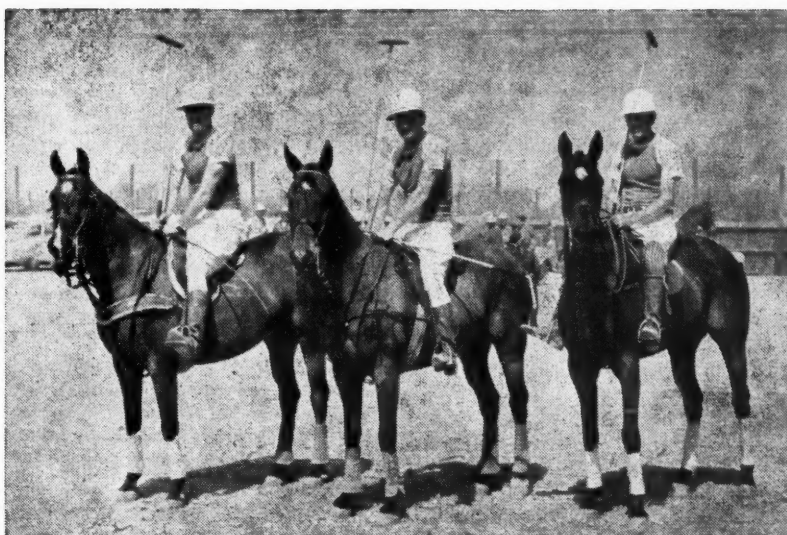
On March 14, the Palm Springs boys showed their true form by beating the PCPC 6-5, in a very tight, close, well-played competition. Allen and Wintringer scored two goals each, to lead the PS team in goals, and Donaldson and Douglas each scored two for the PCPC. This game was undoubtedly the best that has ever been played on the new Tucson field, and an estimated 500 onlookers watched the poloists do their level best.

The following Wednesday, March 17, the PS Club walloped the U. of A. team by a score of 12-6 on a cold, blustery day. The excellent condition of the arena made for little really bad dust, however.

A small crowd watched Allen score six goals, two in each of the first two chukkers and two in the fourth. Wintringer scored two points and Campbell made one. The other three points were made by horses (two) and a player on the opposing team (one).

The U. of A. squad was made up of Jim Cowan in No. 1 position, Jack Bowman in No. 2 position and Tom Brown in No. 3 spot. Cowan made five goals and Bowman scored one for the U. of A.'s six total. The U. of A. team had just returned from Roswell, New Mexico, where they had been twice beaten over the week-end by the high school team of the New Mexico Military Institute.

Campbell, a professional horseman who has been "foolin' around with the ponies" for over 40 years, spoke encourag-



(Willard H. Porter photo)

The Palm Springs Polo Club at Tucson, Arizona, during their recent junket to the land of sunshine. (L. to r.): Bob Wintringer, Bill Allen and Guy Campbell.

ingly at Tucson over the future of the "indoor" game.

"It's too expensive and it takes too many horses to play big polo any more," he told this reporter. "But by playing on these smaller fields, a man can get by with one or two horses easily. All we have to do, when we have a game scheduled, is load up our double horse trailers and take off. It's a swell sport and I think more and more are getting interested in it."

"In southern California, for instance, we have over 40 members in that division of the Indoor Polo Association of America. We have indoor arenas at Palm Springs, Palm Desert, La Jolla, San Bernardino, Rancho Santa Fe, Beverly Hills and there's probably a couple more being built over there right this minute."

Cornell Trounces Yale By A 19-9 Score In Official Finale

Ann Braun

Yale's 1954 intercollegiate polo season closed officially on March 13 with a strong Cornell varsity routing the Blue—runner-up to the New Mexico Military Institute in this year's inter-collegiate finals—by a 19-9 count.

Cornell played with two line-ups, which alternated chukkers. The starting trio, led by Alberto Santa Maria of Bogota, Columbia, with five goals, did the breaking-down job. Then, with Captain Pete Johnson at pivot scoring six goals, the afternoon high, the second line-up rode out to finish the work. Veteran Bob Sturzbecker at back for Cornell scored four goals.

Yale, handicapped by a severe leg injury to back Ivan Poutiatine of Loudenville, N. Y., never came closer than a two-point difference in the first period, and lost steam as the game went on. Captain Mal Wallop of Big Horn, Wyo., playing his last indoor intercollegiate game, scored five goals for the Blue from his No. 1 spot. Joe Williams of Camden, S. C., playing at No. 2, scored the other four Eli markers.

Santa Maria got Cornell off to a 3-1 first-chukker lead, Wallop's lone goal putting the Blue into the scoring col-

umn. In the second period, three goals each by Johnson and Sturzbecker against two by Williams and another by Wallop made it 9-4 at the half. Cornell out-scored Yale in every period, topping it off in the finale with a four-goal difference.

In the intercollegiate tournament in New York, Cornell had to face New Mexico first, losing the semi-finals 11-7. Yale won their semi-final round by a close 10-8 count over Stanford University

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Cornell, Yale Polo

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from California, but in the finals on March 7 were also defeated by New Mexico, 14-3.

The annual intra-squad tournament will close out 1954 indoor polo at Yale, but plans are under way for an outdoor game against Cornell on May 8 in New Haven.

The summary:

Yale

- No. 1 Mal Wallop
No. 2 Joe Williams
Back Ivan Poutiatine

Cornell

- No. 1 Maury Houseman
No. 2 Camillo Saenz
No. 3 Alberto Santa Maria
Alternates—Yale: Fred Lutz.
Cornell: Mike Geronimus,
Pete Johnson, Bob Sturz-
becker.

Scoring—Yale: Wallop 5, Williams 4.
Cornell: Johnson 6, Santa Mar-
ia 5, Sturzbecker 4, Houseman
2, Geronimus 2.

Scoring by periods:

Yale—1 3 3 2—9

Cornell—3 6 4 6—19

Referee: C. W. Kellogg.

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Ramapo Turns Back New York Polo Club, 11-9, At Squadron A Armory

Bill Briordy

Holding their rivals scoreless in two of the four periods, the Ramapo Polo Club, headed by Al Parsells, rode into the semi-final round of the National 12-goal championship tournament by turning back the New York Polo Club, 11 to 9, at the Squadron A Armory on Sunday afternoon, March 21.

Rushing ahead in the second chukker after being restricted to one goal in the opening stanza, Ramapo rapped home five goals in the second to take a 6-5 margin at half-time. New York, winner of the Metropolitan League laurels the previous Sunday, failed to score in the second and third chapters.

Parsells, nine-goal ace, who directed his team strongly from his No. 2 spot, stroked four splendid markers and Bill Westerlund hit one in Ramapo's second-period outbreak. Al also counted once in the first chukker and added three more in the third.

Two of Al's markers in the third session were pretty ones. His 6th goal traveled three-quarters the length of the ring, while his seventh came on an eye-catching backhand.

New York, riding with George Haas, Bob Ackerman and Fred Zeller, came through with four goals in the fourth period, one on a No. 1 penalty awarded by Referee Lyman T. Whitehead, Jr. after calling dangerous riding on the part of Ramapo.

Haas, Ackerman and Zeller each scored in the fourth, but Joe Schwartz, No. 1 for Ramapo stroked two, one on a feed from Parsells, to offset New York's rally. New York had a four-goal handicap at the start.

Both Parsells and Westerlund experienced some rough luck in the second chukker when the ponies they were riding at the start of the session pulled up lame after being hit by errant mallets following some spirited action.

In the opener of the March 21 program, Phil Iglehart rattled the ball off the backboard in the first thirty seconds

of the sudden-death overtime period to give the Ramblers an 11-10 decision over the Falcons in a thriller. The score was tied at 10-10 at the end of the regulation play.

Iglehart rode with Charley and Walter Phillips, while three ex-collegiate stars formed the Falcons. Dave Ellis (Princeton), Bill Rand, six-goaler (Yale), and Peter Packard (Yale) made up the losing trio.

Packard, who paced the scorers in this exhibition affair with seven goals, put the Falcons in front at 10-9 with ninety seconds of the fourth chukker left. Then Phillips counted on a long drive with one minute remaining to knot it at 10-all and produce an overtime period. Despite getting only one goal, Rand was outstanding on defense and directing the play for the Falcons. Whitney and Phillips each scored four times, while Iglehart hit three goals. The score was tied six times in all.

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Jock Denison Scores 10 Goals In Annual Yale Inter-Squad Game

Ann Braun

Sharp-shooting Jock Denison of Greenwich, Conn., paced the St. Anthony's division of the Yale polo team to a decisive 17-10 victory over St. Joseph's in the annual intra-squad Frank Butterworth Trophy finals held in the Yale Armory on March 20.

Denison knocked in ten goals from his No. 1 position equaling the total St. Joseph's output. Mal Wallop of Big Horn, Wyo., the Yale captain, playing his last indoor game at Yale, was second highest with five goals. Ivan Poutiatine, senior back from Loudenville, N. Y., also playing his final game, completed the round-up with three tallies.

Sophomore varsity star Joe Williams of Camden, S. C., who suffered a badly-cut forehead in the semi-final bout and had to be replaced, totaled three goals against St. Anthony's. Fred Lutz of Scarsdale, N. Y. equaled Williams' score, and John Hettinger of Pawling, N. Y., tallied twice. St. Joseph's received one goal by handicap, because of Wallop's one-goal rating, and the tenth was kicked in by a pony.

The handicap helped them to a 4-2 first chukker edge and a 6-6 tie at half-time. At the close of the third period, St. Joseph's still led by 10-9, but Denison caught fire in the final chukker and poured five goals through the posts, four of them consecutively, while Wallop tallied twice and Poutiatine once to gain a wide margin of victory for the blue-shirted champions.

In the semi-final games played on March 16 and 18, St. Anthony's defeated St. Laurence, composed of coach Albert Marenholz, Larry Smith of West Hart-

ford, and John Greenleaf of Greenwich, Conn., while St. Joseph's conquered St. Pete's, consisting of junior Doug Barclay of Pulaski, N. Y., and freshmen Pete Jackson of Tuscarora, Nev., and Mike Poutiatine of Loudenville, N. Y.

The summary:

St. Anthony's

1. Jock Denison
2. Mal Wallop
Back Ivan Poutiatine

St. Joseph's

1. John Hettinger
2. Joe Williams
3. Fred Lutz
Scoring: St. A's—Denison 10, Wallop 4, Poutiatine 3.
St. J's—Lutz 3, Williams 3, Hettinger 2, pony, handicap.

Scoring by period:

St. Anthony's—2 4 3 8—17

St. Joseph's—4 2 4 0—10

Referee: C. W. Kellogg.

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Letters To The Editor

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should, in their use be carefully avoided.

Another article that I found most pleasant reading was Mr. H. Q. M. Clawson's on reclaiming horses, one of the reasons being that the author stresses, in the last column of Page 25 of your issue of Feb. 12th, the necessity for the horse's jaw to be always relaxed, a result impossible to obtain with the tight drop nosebands and similar contrivances which are at present so unreflectingly popular, even in dressage. Mr. Clawson is also right in pointing out that "in smooth transition" from one to the next shading of pace and control, "great flexing at the poll" should be avoided and that "the head should never be vertical". I specially recommend these excellent principles to the attention of the dressage fraternity not only for purposes of "redemption" but for the schooling of horses, green and otherwise, as well.

Faithfully yours,

P. Santini

March 19, 1954

Rome, Italy

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"Extremely Interested"

Dear Sir:

Naturally I was extremely interested and pleased with your editorial of March the 5th. If something comes of it and you think I can be of help in any way please do not hesitate to use me.

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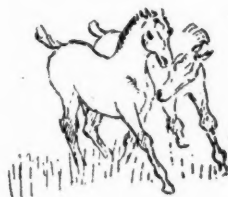
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Bolide, by Menow: c. (Mar. 3), by Revoked. Midway Co., owner. Crown Crest Farm, Lexington, Ky. Booked to *Heliopolis.

Bravely Go, by *Challenger II: f. (Feb. 25), by Your Host. Mrs. C. McGhee Baxter, The Barracks, Charlottesville, Virginia. Booked to Pavot.

Burning Bright, by Whichone: c. (Mar. 14), by *Mahmoud. Mr. & Mrs. Melville Church II. North Cliff Farm, Rixeyville, Virginia.

Buttermilk, by Milkman: c. (Feb. 15), by Old Rockport. Walnut Springs Farm, Lexington, Kentucky.

Cold Shot, by Good Advice: c. (Mar. 12), by Bohemia. Dr. W. L. Yeaton, owner. Bittersweet Farm Stables, Swartwood Road, Newton, New Jersey.

Dark Tower, by *Blenheim II: c. (Feb. 22), by Brookfield. Claiborne Farm and Charles Jewell, owners. Claiborne Farm, Paris, Ky. Booked to Some Chance.

Dorothy B. Jr., by *Brown King: c. (Mar. 16), by Challenged. Mrs. Joe W. Brown, owner. Rookwood Farm, Lexington, Ky.

Effie B., by *Bull Dog: f. (Feb. 17), by *Nasrullah. Claiborne Farm, Paris, Ky. Booked to Menow.

Elite, by Blue Larkspur: c. (Feb. 16), by *Alibhai. Brookmeade Stable, owner. Crown Crest Farm, Lexington, Kentucky. Booked to Count Fleet.

Evanstep, by The Rhymer: c. (Feb. 25), by Ky. Colonel. A. R. Evans, owner. Brownwood Farm, Nicholasville, Ky. Booked to My Request.

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Fondenella, by *Belfonds: f. (Mar. 11), by *Beau Gem. E. B. Lee, owner. Kentmere Farm, Boyce, Virginia. Booked to *Orestes.

Good and Gay, by Lovely Night: f. (Feb. 18), by *Beau Gem. Mrs. Grace Kelley, owner. Kentmere Farm, Boyce, Virginia. Booked to *Beau Gem.

Happy Song, by Bless Me: c. (Feb. 21), by Provocative. Moody Jolley, owner. Claiborne Farm, Paris, Ky.

Highland Fling, by By Jimmy: c. (Mar. 2), by *Beau Gem. Brookmeade Stable, owner. Shandon Farm, Lexington, Kentucky. Booked to County Delight.

Hildene, by Bubbling Over: c. (Feb. 16), by Count Fleet. C. T. Chenery, owner. Claiborne Farm, Paris, Ky. Booked to *Princequillo.

Lask, by Bull Lea: f. (Mar. 19), by Pavot. North Cliff Farm, Berryville, Virginia. Booked to Errard.

Miss Merriment, by High Time: f. (Feb. 15), by Greek Song. Tommy Ashbury, owner. Hedgewood Farm, Lexington, Ky.

Miss Rhymer, by The Rhymer: f. (Feb. 20), by Easy Mon. George C. Clarke. Belmont Plantation, Leesburg, Virginia. Booked to Hasteville.

My Emma, by *Isolater: c. (Feb. 21), by *Hypnotist II. William Woodward, Jr., owner. Claiborne Farm, Paris, Ky. Booked to *Nasrullah.

Occupy Miss, by Occupy: f. (Jan. 23), by Blue Pal. George C. Clarke. Belmont Plantation, Leesburg, Virginia. Booked to *Beau Gem.

Ophelia, by Missstep: f. (Mar. 9), by Bohemia. Dr. W. L. Yeaton, owner. Bittersweet Farm Stables, Swartwood Road, Newton, New Jersey.

Oujia, by *Heliopolis: f. (Feb. 26), by *Priam II. Brookmeade Stable, owner. Shandon Farm, Lexington, Kentucky. Booked to Cosmie Bomb.

Pleasure, by Count Fleet: c. (Mar. 12), by *Priam III. Dr. F. A. O'Keefe. Pine Brook Farm, Warrenton, Virginia. Booked to Mr. Busher.

Pomayya, by Pompey: c. (Mar. 12), by By Jimmy. Brookmeade Farm, Upperville, Va. Booked to General Staff.

Red Haw, by Jacomar: f. (Mar. 16), by Lucky Oscar. Bud Burmester. Fort Worth, Texas. Booked to Destino.

Rippling On, by *Omar Khayyam: c. (Mar. 11), by Air Hero. Hunter Faulconer. Westover Stud, Charlottesville, Virginia. Booked to Blue Swords.

Saikik Glow, by Psychic Bid: c. (Mar. 12), by More Sun. Preston Burch, owner. Brookmeade Farm, Upperville, Virginia. Booked to More Sun.

Silver Flayr, by Sting: c. (Mar. 2), by Blue Flyer. Miss Louise Este Hollyday II, owner. Never Die Farm, Sykesville, Maryland. Booked to Blue Flyer.

Speaker, by Battleship: c. (Mar. 18), by Battle Morn. C. B. Carter, Orange, Virginia.

Tintaline, by Tintagel: c. (Feb. 28), by Bohemia. Leo Winterfield, owner. Bittersweet Farm Stables, Swartwood Road, Newton, New Jersey.

Twilight Tear, by Bull Lea: f. (Mar. 8), by *Blenheim II. Calumet Farm, Lexington, Ky. Mare died.

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meet as is done by the Maryland tracks. This will give New England owners better opportunities to prepare their horses and will also furnish more horses for the tracks to use in carding races.

—R. H. Lane

KENTUCKY

Clark's Trials and Tribulations

Johnny Clark, owner of Tattenham Corner, Lexington, will probably remember the 1954 Louisiana Derby a long time.

He shipped his colt Winning Count from Hialeah Park to the Fair Grounds to try for a share of the \$40,000 in added money.

But at 2:00 A. M. in Mobile, the express had to be sidetracked with what railroad men call a "flat tire." The plan was to shunt the car into a noisy repair shop and to fix the faulty wheel while Winning Count and A. N. Winick's Endon, who was also bound for the Louisiana languished aboard.

Johnny Clark squawked so vigorously that a spare baggage car was finally procured.

However, there was no unloading ramp available at Mobile.

So the two cars were put on adjacent tracks and a gangplank rigged between them to transfer the two horses. Then the baggage car was hitched to a freight train for the rest of the journey.

Arriving at the Fair Grounds, Mr. Clark learned that Chris Rogers, who had been scheduled to ride Winning Count, had been grounded with an injury. With an out-sized field in prospect for the Louisiana Derby, nearly all the other local jockeys already had engagements.

A telephone call to Hialeah lined up Henry Moreno, who was to fly to New Orleans Saturday morning.

Mrs. Clark, on her first night in New Orleans, fell down some steps and broke her arm.

Saturday morning dawned so foggy and misty that it looked for a time as though Jockey Moreno's plane would not be able to land.

The flight made it, though.

Only trouble was that Hank Moreno was not aboard. He had missed the plane.

The next flight would not arrive until an hour and five minutes before post time for the Louisiana Derby.

So Fair Grounds officials arranged a police escort that got the rider from the airport to the track with 15 minutes to spare.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark suffered a squashed

fender in a traffic mishap on their way to the track.

So, after all these trials and tribulations, how did Winning Count do in the race itself?

He ran right in line with the rest of the week's events. Second at the top of the stretch, he faded to sixth at the wire. Oh, well; maybe next year.

Whitney Cattle Sale Averages \$1,355

Buyers from 23 States and Canada last week bought 78 head for \$105,745, an average of \$1,355, at the C. V. Whitney Farm Aberdeen-Angus Sale, held at Lexington, Ky.

Top price of \$8,000 was paid by Orin James of Hamilton, Mo., for a 10½-month-old heifer, Whitney Barbarosa C. Best male price of the auction was \$3,000 for Whitnemyre VI, sold to H. M. Barnett of Washington, Ga.

Farms on Garden Tour

Included on the annual "Open House in Kentucky," sponsored by the Garden Club of Kentucky and scheduled for May 14-16, will be visits to the following Thoroughbred farms:

On the Lexington tour—the garden, greenhouse and "Cottage in the Wood" guest house at Robert W. McIlvain's Walmac Farm; and Mrs. Charles S. Payson's residence at Greentree Stud, Inc.

On the Louisville tour—Patrick Calhoun's Cardinal Ridge Farm and Warner L. Jones' Hermitage Farm, both at Goshen.

Top Derby Candidates at Keeneland

The two top-rated Kentucky Derby candidates, Cain Hoy Stable's *Turn-to and Llangollen Farm's Porterhouse, are both now in training at Keeneland. Both are expected to see action during the April meeting at the Lexington course.

Cain Hoy's Giant Cracker accompanied *Turn-to from Florida; and Big Crest, another stablemate, is expected after he fulfills his engagement in the Florida Derby.

Mrs. John Payson Adams' Swift Sword, recently purchased in Florida, is due at Keeneland in a few days; and will probably run as an entry with the California-wintered Porterhouse. Both are trained by Charles Whittingham.

Whirling Fox at Creekview

Bliss Flaccus' Whirling Fox, whose first foals are current two-year-olds, has been moved from Maryland to stand at Tollie Young's Creekview Farm, Paris.

Winner of the 1949 Long Branch Handicap by three lengths, Whirling Fox is by Whirlaway—Marguerie, full sister to Gallant Fox, Fighting Fox and Foxborough.

Morris Sells Two to Roth

Caddis F. Morris' Hamburg Place, Lexington, Ky., has sold the brood mares Asianna and Millichic to Edwin S. Roth, Sr., who boards his mares at Paul Serdar's Locust Lawn Farm, Wadsworth, Ill. Both will be bred to Mr. Roth's stallion Roman Bath, now standing his first season at Locust Lawn.

Asianna, 19-year-old daughter of Wise Counsellor—Asia, by *Sain, has produced the stakes-placed Affrighted. Asianna is in foal to Easy Mon.

Millichic, 17-year-old mare by *Chicle—Over the Moon, by Broomstick, has foaled Flaunt, winner of the Lamp-lighter and Queens County Handicaps. Millichic is in foal to Challenge Me.

*Ambiorix First

Andrew J. Crevolin's Allied, winner of the recent San Luis Rey Handicap at Santa Anita Park, is the first stakes winner sired by the syndicate-owned

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wins to four but missed by $2\frac{3}{4}$ lengths. Andros, which dallied along in last place for most of the journey, came to life with about a quarter of a mile to go, passed everything and swept to victory. Peu-A-Peu, in second place, held a margin of safety of one length over Phil D. Caldwell finished fourth another length and a half back.

Andros, an eight-year-old Irish-bred gelding, was hanging up his second win in 7 starts this year. He has been second twice. The purse of \$3,125 brought his '54 earnings to \$6,725.

Trained and owned by Clyde Locklear and Mrs. Locklear, respectively, Andros was bred by R. K. Mellon. He is by Flamenco, out of Jill Chaucer, by Jackdaw of Rheims.

Hubert Trent had the mount.

The Oaklawn Preview, two-year-olds, four furlongs. (March 24). **Mark Question** appeared to be as near a certainty as a horse can be in the half-mile Wednesday feature. He made it, but it was a tough fight, with Tricky Homer only a head back at the wire, and Me Perfect in third place by another neck. Goya Dancer was fourth.

Tricky Homer took the lead in the first furlong but Mark Question soon caught up with him and the two battled it out for the length of the stretch.

It was Mark Question's fifth win in 9 starts. The almost-black son of Foray Array—Hazel H., by Pondariel, has finished second once and third twice. With the \$3,125 purse, the colt has earnings of \$8,700. Bred and owned by Mr. H. O. Backus, he is trained by C. Bourland, Jr. Eldon Coffman had the mount.

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*Ambiorix, who stands at A. B. Hancock's Claiborne Farm, Paris.

In his native France, *Ambiorix captured half of his six starts, including the Grand Criterium, Prix Greffulhe and Lupin; and placed in the Prix Hocquart and du Jockey Club, to gain a total of 4,638,600 francs.

*Ambiorix accounted for his only English appearance, the Selsey Maiden Stakes, worth £832.

The Claiborne stallion is a half brother, by Tourbillon, to the stakes victors Wild Lavender and Babiste; and to the dams of My Babu, Sayani, Marco Polo and *Turn-to.

Allied, a member of his sire's first crop, was bred by Tom M. Girdler's Sellersburg Corporation, which sold the colt at Keeneland for \$5,100. The San Luis Rey victory brought to \$26,075 the earnings of Mr. Crevelin's son of *Ambiorix—Hot Slippers, by Our Boots.

Two days before the San Luis Rey, the stakes-placed Hot Slippers foaled a bay filly by *Nasrullah at Claiborne.

—Frank Talmadge Phelps

VIRGINIA

Boarders

A number of boarders have already arrived at Newstead Farm, booked to the various stallions that stand there. Among more recent arrivals are: from Lewisburg, W. Va., Mrs. C. P. Benedict's Benjie Dale by Stimulus out of *Highland Dell, by Craig An Eran in foal to Cosmic Bomb (to Alquest); from Hudson, Ohio Henry Martin's good winning daughter



(Laurel Photo)

Mrs. S. M. Pistorio's Brazen Brat, returning to the winner's circle after winning the Capitol 'Cap at Laurel. The 6-year-old chestnut mare by Sky Raider—Geraldine, by Stimulus took down a purse of \$7,900 and made it \$98,175 for her career. Not bad at all considering that as a yearling, she went through the Keeneland Fall Sale's ring for \$1,500.

of *Brown King, Brown Crackle (to Trojan Monarch); Mrs. T. Beatty Brown's Comique by St. Brideaux—Comedienne by The Clown and Col. Randy Tayloe's Sudden Move by Jeep—Miss Hoptown by St. Henry (to Boss); and C. M. Greer's Highformation by Higher—Transformation by Transmute and Mrs. E. H. Augustus' Scorch by *Gino—Sun Stream by *Sun Briar (to Blue Yonder.)

Visitor

Secretary of the Treasury, George M. Humphrey was in Virginia recently and was a visitor to North Cliff Farm where he inspected the stallions standing at that farm.

—Nick Saegmuller, Field Secretary

Kentucky-Bound

George C. Clarke, of Belmont Plantation, near Leesburg, announced that he has shipped several of his broodmares to Kentucky to be bred. They are Sun Mucia, by Sun Teddy, which is destined first for Lewis K. Haggin's War Horse Place, Lexington, and later on to Spendthrift Farm to visit the court of Ace Admiral. Little Cassino, by Jack High goes to A. B. Kasner's Farm where she will be bred to Easy Mon, while Reimburse, by Ladysman will be sent to the court of Count Turf at Dr. Miller's farm at Paris.

Boola Brook's Booking

Boola Brook, owned by Harry Guggenheim, has been booked to Battle Morn, his young son of *Blenheim II which stands at North Cliff Farm, Rixeyville, Virginia.

The 17-year-old daughter of *Bull Dog—Brookdale, by Peter Pan is the dam of the stakes placed Noble Creek and Dry Fly, as well as the producer Admiral's Lady, dam of the handicap champion Crafty Admiral.

PENNSYLVANIA

Breeders Meeting Held

On March 11, the Pennsylvania Horse Breeders Association held a dinner meeting at the Mansion House Hotel in West Chester. Brig. Gen. John Tupper Cole gave an extremely interesting talk on

United States participation in International Equestrian Competition and discussed at length the methods of preparing horses for this type of work.

Afterwards, the films, "U. S. Equestrian Team Goes to the Olympics" and "Race Riding", the Jockey Club film prepared by Marshall Cassidy were shown.

The next meeting of the Pennsylvania Breeders Association will be held at Ligonier on April 22 at which time Professor Donald J. Kays will address the membership.

—Henry Cadwalader, Field Secretary

First Under Colors

The Lyman's at Maui Meadows, West Chester are quite elated over the progress their racing prospect Sprintress is making at Laurel under the training of Danny Shea, who hopes to start her early in the season.

The 2-year-old daughter of *Easton—Sprint, by King Cole is the first race horse owned by the Lymans and is a home-bred. They also have in training, a 2-year-old Slide Rule colt, which due to a set back has not progressed as rapidly as has the filly.

TEXAS

Ill Luck

G. R. White, Texas Thoroughbred patron, sustained some ill luck recently when Manda, by Trace Call, foaled dead twin colts to Lucky Oscar. This mare has a good 3-year-old Black Gallant by Depth Charge at the races. Kenayr, another of White's top mares, is at Hurst, Texas, and has been bred to Lucky Oscar.

Paddys' Wish

Jimmy Thompson of Haltom City last week vanned his mare, Paddy's Wish, and her foal by Frank's Pal, to Gilmer, Texas, where the mare will be returned to the sire of her first foal. Originally booked to Lucky Oscar, Thompson requested Bud Burmester, owner of the sire, to move this booking over to 1955 so that he could send the mare back to Frank's Pal.

—Bud Burmester



(Humphrey Photo)

The Walsh sisters finished 1-2-3 in The Pines, a ladies' flat race at about 6 furlongs on the flat. The youngest of the trio, Audrey, was the winner on "Journey with Joan 2nd on Amy Robstart and Maureen 3rd on Our Ed. Mrs. W. O. Moss completed the finish on "Distant Arrow.

Rokeby Bowl

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Dixie to jump head and head with Six Hundred and then take the lead upon landing. Over the 6th the order was Clifton's Dixie, Six Hundred, Conjure Ghost, Tamer and Biggie.

Swinging left-handed around the beacon the field raced toward the 7th and the same order. Their positions did not change over the in and out but going toward the 10th, the first 4 horses had opened up quite a few lengths on Biggie. At the 15th on top of the hill and part of the in and out, Clifton's Dixie was still setting the pace while Six Hundred put in a rather rough one for Miss Roszel but recovered quickly. In the downhill run, Six Hundred headed Clifton's Dixie momentarily but the now white mare refused to relinquish her front runner position for long. She went to the top again but as the field went right-handed through the gap, Clifton's Dixie and Six Hundred were running head and head.

The ladies' race followed the same course over the stream, plank fence, stream and then across the strip in the plowed field. As they came into sight, Clifton's Dixie and Six Hundred were still battling it out head and head but the latter showed signs of being very tired. The 17th (stonewall) was next and over this one Clifton's Dixie was over first but Mrs. Randolph brought Tamer up to land 2nd ahead of Six Hundred. The field had closed ranks and were all heading toward the 18th and last with Clifton's Dixie still holding a slight edge. Over this one Clifton's Dixie led with Conjure Ghost and Tamer close behind. Biggie, whose rider had lost an iron over the 8th and been unsuccessful in retrieving it, hit and went down. Also going down was Six Hundred which took a hard fall with Miss Roszel.

Mrs. Rochester on Conjure Ghost and Mrs. Greenaway on Clifton's Dixie were really tincanning as they drove in the stretch, Conjure Ghost heading Clifton's Dixie and then the latter coming on again. Under the wire it was hard to tell which one had won but the judges' decision was Clifton's Dixie. At Rappahannock this year, with Miss Sally Roszel up, Clifton's Dixie had lost in the ladies' race in a close decision and then had come on to Blue Ridge where Mrs. Greenaway had ridden her to finish 2nd.

In spite of the refusals and falls, not one rider was hurt and with the exception of In The Clouds, the horses came through all right. In The Clouds had

broken down so badly that it was necessary to destroy him.

SUMMARIES

LADIES' RACE, side-saddle or astride, abt. 3½ mi. over flagged course. Minimum weight 145 lbs. To be ridden by regular followers of a recognized hunt, acceptable to the committee. Piece of plate to owner of winner. Winner: gr. m. (14) by Coq d'Espirit—Early Dawn, by Apprehension. Breeder: Dr. L. M. Allen. Time: 6:56.

1. Clifton's Dixie, (J. M. Mulford), Mrs. Leon Greenaway.
 2. Conjure Ghost, (W. Rochester, Jr.), Mrs. W. Rochester, Jr.
 3. Tamer, (Donald Patterson), Mrs. R. H. D. Randolph.
- 5 started, 3 finished; also ran: fell (27th): Mrs. S. Hamilton's Six Hundred, Miss Sally Roszel; G. L. Ohrstrom's Biggie, Mrs. R. H. Rogers. Scratched: Old Fashioned, Moon Spring, Votive, Bones, Gillian.

ROKEBY CHALLENGE BOWL, race for gentlemen, abt. 4½ mi., over flagged course. Weight 175 lbs. To be ridden by regular followers of a recognized hunt, acceptable to the committee. Rokeby Bowl presented to owner of winner, to be held for 1 year; piece of plate also presented outright to owner of winner. Winner: b. g. (8) by Petrose—Royal Purple, by The Finn. Breeder: L. A. Moseley. Time 11:22½.

1. Uncle Pierre, (Cyrus Manierre), Mr. Cyrus Manierre.
 2. Old Fashioned, (T. E. Taylor), Mr. Leon Greenaway.
 3. Star Salome, (Dr. J. M. Rogers), Mr. J. Fisher.
- 7 started, 3 finished; also ran: fell (27th): Mrs. William S. Jenkins' Kaiser's Rose, Mr. T. K. Thomas; pulled up, broke down after 26th: Mrs. Norman K. Toerge's In The Clouds, Mr. Laddy Murray; pulled up (24th): J. Mallory Nash's Brunei Bay, Mr. J. Mallory Nash; pulled up (before 16th): G. T. Walker's Hill Biscuit, Mr. G. T. Walker. Scratched: Moon Spring, Star Board. Sparkling Day.

EARLY MIDDLEBURG MEETINGS

It is interesting to note that Daniel C. Sands, M. F. H. who is chairman of the committee for the Middleburg Hunt Races to be held on April 17 was also chairman of the race committee for the first Middleburg Race Meet, in 1911, poster of which hangs on his office wall. He was then Master of the Piedmont Hunt and John R. Townsend was hunting the Orange County and the Middleburg country. These two sportsmen organized a race meeting, held near Middleburg, which listed three races, The Dixie Cup, The Arden Cup (both steeplechases, for hunters over natural country), and a flat race for The Southern Cup. A horse and hound show completed the day's program. Judges for the horse and hound show were Louis Stoddard and Joseph B. Thomas, who was to become famous in Virginia's hunting country as one of the chief proponents of organized fox hunts.

In 1912, and for several years thereafter, the Middleburg sporting event was called the Virginia United Hunts Association, under sanction from the Hunts Committee of the National Steeplechase and Hunts Association.

Patrons were Maj. General Leonard Wood, Thomas Hitchcock, P. S. P. Randolph, Henry T. Oxnard and Harry Payne Whitney. In Harry Page's "Between The Flags", he mentions riding in a meeting held by the Piedmont Racing Association, at Middleburg, Va., in 1915. He states, "This Middleburg Steeplechase, I am glad to remember, was won by my friend, Alec Humphrey, on Aleppo."

The entry of the United States in the first World War interrupted these race meetings. Resumed in 1921, the Middleburg Hunt Cup and the Farmers' Race were run on the estates of W. F. Hitt and D. C. Sands. Listed among the officials on a 1925 program, the 5th running of the Middleburg Hunt Cup, were Fletcher Harper, Waugh Glascock, G. Basil Hall, William P. Hulbert, and Freddie McElhone. The Hunt Cup was for hunters, four miles across country, over a flagged course, Gentlemen riders. The riders, according to the card, were Ernest Wolfe, B. D. Spilman, Jr., Mr. Lewis, R. Penn Smith, Jr., Arthur White and F. C. Thomas.

From its origin as a small local event, limited as to entries, Middleburg hit its stride in the racing world in the '30's when two day spring and fall meetings were held as the Middleburg Hunt Racing Association. The Glenwood Park Course was built in 1934, patterned after the Aintree course in England. In the fall steeplechases of 1935, 21 entries, representing the leading stables in the United States, left the post in one race, and 16, of equal caliber, in another. The great Noel Laing was the winner of The Dresden brush race that day on Our Friend, owned by Mrs. Verner Z. Reed, Jr.

The Mary Mellon Steeplechase, a 2 mile race over brush, for 4 year olds and upwards, which carries a value of \$2,000, was inaugurated in 1946, and is a feature on the 1954 program. Winner last year was Stephen C. Clark, Jr.'s Weather Man, trained by Jack Skinner.

BUYING HORSES

The Austin Kays from up New York-New Jersey way were in Tryon, N. C. In fact Mrs. Kay was down twice as she flew down again after driving home with Mr. Kay in order to ride a horse to determine if they should buy it. They are having two horses sent home, one Money Bug, a big time show circuit horse of the past season and a nice 3-year-old. The Kays had gotten horses through Cecil Tuke before and as Cecil is now associated with Arthur Reynolds, they came here.

—C. W.

In the Country



ROYAL TAN WINS GRAND NATIONAL

For the second year in succession the combination of Owner Joe Griffin, Trainer Vincent O'Brien and Jockey Brian Marshall triumphed in the Grand National at Aintree, England. Bryan Marshall urged the Irish-bred Royal Tan "under the wire" by the barest of neck margins to win from the English horse, Mrs. E. Truelove's Tudor Line, with the favorite, Irish Lizard a well-beaten third. Last season, the Griffin-O'Brien-Marshall combine won the 115 year old event by some 20 lengths with Early Mist.

Twenty-nine chasers went to the post in the 1954 running of the famed event, with 9 horses finishing. Time for the 4 1/4 miles course of 30 jumps was 9:32 1/2—11% slower than last year.

Coverage of this event by our English correspondent, Pamela Macgregor-Morris will appear in a forthcoming issue.

TRYON VISITORS

Mrs. F. Huebner, Joint-M. F. H. of Waterloo, dropped in for a few weeks with her guest Mrs. Ben Watson.

The P. H. Oliver van arrived early in order that Arthur Reynolds could have their horses worked for them before the Olivers arrived for their annual stay from the Chicago area winter. The Oliver van also brought Stanley Dwinell's horse and Stanley has just now arrived from Minnesota. Stanley expects his brother's family from the state of Washington soon.

J. B. TAYLOR AND FRANK THOMAS

The Champion and Reserve Champion Virginia Field Hunters at Keswick on March 26th, ridden respectively by Mrs. Dulany Randolph and Miss Georgene Lee, bore the unusually masculine names of Frank Thomas and J. B. Taylor. It appears that the Champion was originally purchased at auction by a gas station proprietor who had decided to invest his savings in a yearling. It was not long, however, before the new owner found out that it takes money to keep as well as to buy a race horse. Collections in the gas business that year were a bit slow and it wasn't always easy to get together enough money to pay the training bills. There was one customer, however, who could always be relied upon, come first of the month. He bought tankfuls of gas and paid all bills by return mail. Many a time it was his check that went to the trainer. It seemed only fitting, therefore, that the colt should bear the name of the man who paid for the oats; his name was—you guessed it—

Frank Thomas. To complete the record we might add that the original J. B. Taylor was colonel of a cavalry regiment stationed at Fort Riley, near which the horse was bred.

AT TRYON TRIALS

Some of the out of town visitors during hunter trial time were the Ellis D. Slaters of New York, the Thomas Connors of Lake Forest, Sam Hart of Atlanta, Miss Hattie Hunt, Miss Genie Range and Harry Smith of Tennessee. General and Mrs. W. B. Bradford of Asheville were on hand renewing their horse interest.



A group of members of the Association of Maryland Horse Shows, Inc., at their annual meeting. From left to right, around the table: George DiPaula, Mrs. Frank Sterbak, Roland Hartman, Angelina J. Carabelli, Bruce Fales, Jr., Fred Diehlmann, Jr., Miss Fen Kollock, Dr. John Gadd, Charles Schuck, John Wagner, and Edna Griswold.

CLIFTON'S DIXIE

It isn't easy to find a horse which one can hunt, show, race in point-to-points and use for driving cattle. Now a young 14 years of age, J. M. Mulford's Clifton's Dixie combines all these features and combines them well. Her victory in the ladies race at the Piedmont Point-to-Point on March 27 marks the finale in the between the flags sport since her owner weighed starting her in the Elkridge-Harford Point-to-Point or taking her to a show and decided in favor of the latter. The Mulford farm is located in one of the hillier sections of Orange County Hunt but driving cattle around the mountainside is an easy job for Clifton's Dixie. Neck reining like a cow pony, the now white mare is tops.

HUNTING IN TRYON

Spring starts coming to Tryon in February along with some visitors from the cold weather to enjoy the spring hunting and horse events through March and April. The early arrivals included the C. B. Sweatts of Wayzata, Minn. and have just recently been joined by their daughters Sally and Peggy for their spring vacation. Harry Sweatt, a senior at Princeton, has arrived for his holiday. The Sweatt horses arrived a few weeks ahead of the family, coming from their Virginia farm, Huntover, which is in the

Blue Ridge Hunt Country. Robert Scott brought the horse van down and has been schooling their young horse in the Tryon countryside. Since coming to Tryon the Sweatts have acquired a nice new hunting mare from J. Arthur Reynolds.

RAGMOP

Fox Hollow Stable's junior hunter, Ragmop, by Omar—Katilka, and a half-brother to their good broodmare, Snowstorm, has been sold to Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Humphrey of Chagrin Falls, Ohio for their son Watts. Ragmop, 14.3/4 and a 4-year-old, was shown last year in Virginia and was well hunted this season with the Rapidan Hunt. He will go to Ohio in May.

LADIES HUNTER

Ladies hunters and timber horses are usually thought of as being members of the older set. This theory receives a slight upset this spring with the appearance of William L. Rochester, Jr.'s home-bred Conjure Ghost. Now a 5-year-old, the daughter of Spanish Ghost—Dinah Dont, by War Whoop has been

a regular in the hunting field. Now a big mare, she carried her owner-breeder in the heavyweight race at the Rappahannock Hunt Point-to-Point (minimum weight 200 lbs.) and finished 3rd. On March 20 she started in the Warrenton Old Fashioned Point-to-Point with her owner up and finished 4th. The Warrenton Hunt Senior Hunter Trials were held March 23rd and the gray mare was 3rd in the local hunters class. When the 27th came around, she went postward in the ladies race at the Piedmont Point-to-Point with Mrs. Rochester in the irons and finished a bang up 2nd to Clifton's Dixie.

PRINCE OF DEVON INVITED

Mrs. Clement Magnier's 9-year-old Prince of Devon has been invited to run in the International Steeplechase Handicap at Belmont Park on May 8. However, the decision as to whether the son of Devonian—Queen Helen, by Writ will come or not, rests with Trainer Magnier, who, when the gelding was not among the original group selected, made alternate plans for the 'chaser.

If Prince of Devon does participate in the International, he will add more class to the race, as the Irish horse was a winner of the Galway Hurdle, one of Ireland's most important hurdle events.

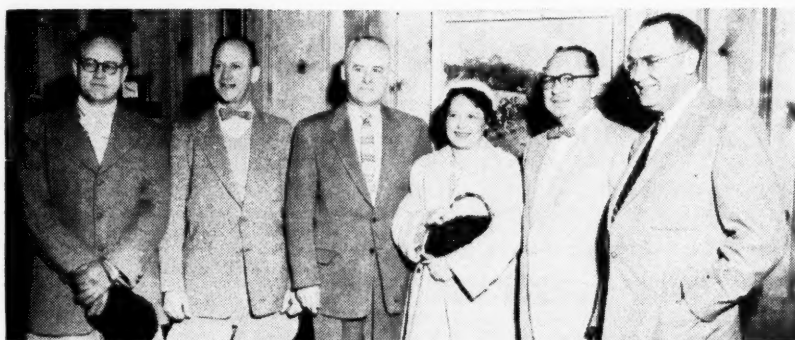
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Water Color Of The English Grand National By Graham Smith

Our cover picture this week is a water color by Graham Smith. It shows part of the field, in the 1950 running of the English Grand National. In the painting are: Sir A. Gordon Smith's Cloncarrig, leading; Captain T. D. Wilson's Wot No Sun (#8); Monaveen (#16), owned by H. R. H. Princess Elizabeth (now the Queen of England); Mrs. J. S. Gorman's Athon Major; J. V. Rank's Shagreen; and Mrs. L. Brotherton's Freebooter.

Cloncarrig lead until the 2nd last jump when he got in too close, hit the top, stumbled and failed to recover. Freebooter, which was 2nd at this point, went on to win, with Wot No Sun finishing 2nd, and Athon Major 3rd. Her Majesty's Monaveen was 5th. Shagreen, the other horse in the picture, fell.

The mood of expectancy, excitement and action, which every renewal of the Grand National generates, dominates this water color.



(Evergreen Photo)

Associated Hunt Clubs of Oregon annual meeting. (L. to r.): A. J. Penney, president of Columbia Hunt; E. G. Ostrum, retiring president of Associated Hunts of Oregon; C. Devlin of Lake Oswego Hunt; Mrs. W. H. Chapman of Eugene Hunt; Dr. C. Babcock, president of West Highlands Hunt; Max M. Manchester, president of Portland Hunt Club.

In The Country

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SECOND GO ROUND

Last year the Wyomissing, (Pa.) Riding Club tried its wings in planning and holding a horse show. The venture was such a success that the club was able to turn over a check for around \$800 to the Berks County Chapter for Retarded Children. With such a good performance behind them, they are going ahead with their second venture in May.

RENO CANDY PROGENY

Mrs. J. A. Blackwood sent three horses down with her van this year from her Metamora (Mich.) Hunt Country farm, the three being young horses that she wished to work in the Tryon countryside. Two of the young horses are by her stallion, Reno Candy, one a paint Teepee and the other appropriately named Fudge.

NEW A. H. S. A. RULE BOOK

The 232-page "bible" of the U. S. horse show, the 1954 Rule Book of the American Horse Shows Association, is just off the press. The new book lists important changes affecting exhibitors, judges, horses, equitation riders' age limit and establishment of a new jumper division to encourage competition

among less experienced horses. This is the most complete rule book ever issued by the parent body.

New national headquarters for the A. H. S. A. will be opened May 1 at the Weylon Hotel, Madison Avenue at 54th Street, New York City. The new offices, with Theodore Buell in charge as executive secretary, are more spacious than the current headquarters and are more centrally located for out of town members.

WRIGHT VAN

Gordon Wright of Secor Farms arrived with his van which included horses of Hugh Grant Strauss and a horse for Mrs. E. Albert Berol. Mrs. Berol was here for a few hunts, went home and has now returned with Mr. Berol. Mr. Strauss has now joined Gordon Wright and is enjoying the Tryon trails. He had a very good time at the Calcutta Pool, the night before, the hunter trials, and he bought a picture of Gordon Wright taken at the Garden and he says the picture is going back to the club (unless Gordon can lay his hands on it).

He fared well in the hunting field and this spring joined the point-to-point ranks with Mr. Manierre up at the Rappahannock Hunt Point-to-Point. His next outing at Blue Ridge brought him a 4th in the novice event and to this he had added an outstanding performance to win the Rokeby Challenge Bowl which is the gentlemen's race at the Piedmont Point-to-Point.

ON THE MEND

On the mend from a polo injury is Donald C. Bradley, of the Washington Polo Club at Olney, Md. who journeyed to Aiken, S. C., for a polo-playing weekend and was in a two-pony crash which resulted in a broken collarbone, 3 broken ribs and concussion for Mr. Bradley. The other player in the spill, Ray Hetherington, was not injured.

TEXAS LOSS

Texas lost two of its best recently. In a very tragic accident in Fort Worth that grand horse "Overdrive" was mortally hurt. He fell while being used to test a new loading ramp and landed on a piece of iron pipe which pierced his hip. He was a most honest horse who would take anything he was pointed towards and gave many different riders grand rounds and many ribbons. He was owned by Chuck Griffith of Fort Worth.

And in San Antonio, Mrs. Vernon G. Olsmith's "Soldier Creek" died. He was well into his twenties and had been a grand performer for years. He was a Gordon Russell colt and one of the last around.

NEW JOINT-MASTER

A new comer to Tryon this year was Mrs. Corwith Hamill who arrived in February with her daughters Nancy and Elizabeth. Mrs. Hamill has just been made Joint-Master of the Wayne Du Page Hunt and we were most pleased that the Tryon Hounds were able to show some very good sport while the Hamills were out. Mr. Hamill flew down for a few days visit with his family and enjoyed some of the trail riding.

FLAT TO TIMBER

Back in 1947 Almahurst Farm included among its consignment a bay colt by Petrose—Royal Purple, by The Finn which had been bred by L. A. Moseley. The highest bidder for the colt was the well known chasing and flat trainer, J. T. Ryan. Named Uncle Pierre, the colt did not start as a 2-year-old but ran on the flat unsuccessfully at 3 and 4 as color-bearer for Mrs. E. duPont Weir. In September of his 4-year-old year he was sold to Newell J. Ward during the horses in training sale at Belmont Park. When the Ward family was moving en masse to Ireland last fall, Joint-Master Ward wanted to sell the horse so Mrs. Cyrus Manierre bought him for a hunter.

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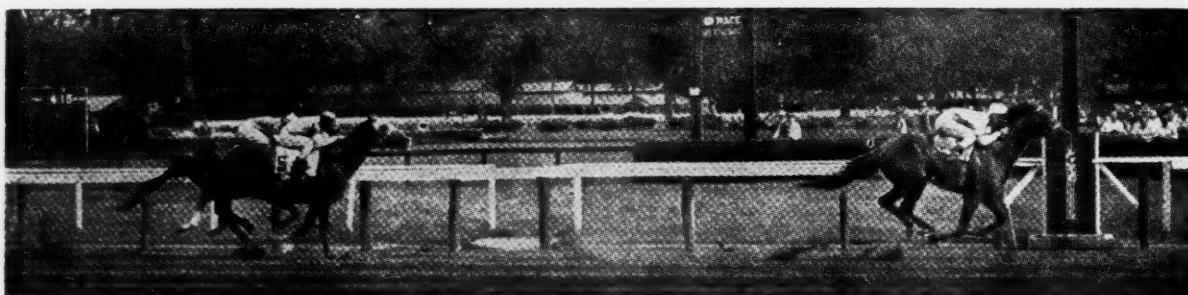
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MORE SUN

raced at 2 in a crop which included Middleground, Hill Prince, Greek Ship, Bed o' Roses, Your Host, Oil Capitol, and Next Move, among others. At year's end he was rated the fourth leading colt, according to the Experimental Free Handicap. He justified this rating by winning at 2 the Graduation Stakes, Saratoga Special and United States Hotel Stakes; later, he won at a mile in 1:36 $\frac{1}{4}$ at Belmont, also annexed the 6-furlong Fleetwing Handicap from Tea-Maker, Arise, Bryan G.

MORE SUN, who entered stud with a high fertility percentage in 1953, is sired by the successful Sun Again, from The Damsel, dam of 6 winners, among them Sun Herod ($\frac{3}{4}$ brother to More Sun and winner of over \$160,000). The next dam produced Psychic Bid and the dams of the stakes winners Safeguard, War King, Great Power, and Going Away.

MORE SUN has been bred to an outstanding group of mares. Included in his first book, that of 1953, were **SUN MIXA**, dam of the stakes winners Fertile Lands and Sunny Dale; **MOVIE LASS**, dam of stakes winners Timeless and two others to place in stakes; **SAIKIK GLOW**, half sister to Grand Admiral; **SEARCHLIGHT**, half sister to stakes winner Harmonica; **CARIOCA**, half sister to stakes winner O'Alison; **GABEZ**, a young War Admiral mare, etc.

MORE SUN, by Sun Again—The Damsel, by Flag Pole

BOOK FULL—1954

BY JIMMINY

America's leading 3-year-old colt of his crop, has only 3 crops old enough to race two seasons or more. From his first crop, he had 8 starters, and all have won. In his second, third, and fourth crops, he has sent out horses which either won or placed in stakes. From his second crop of 14 foals came 13 starters, 11 winners, and 1 placed. Bold won the Preakness (from Counterpoint and Alerted) and Saranac Handicap; Both Safety and Dutch Lane placed in stakes. In his third crop came stakes-placed Pasamonte, and in the fourth, Jimminy Baxter, which finished second in the Breeders' Futurity. Among his 1953 2-year-olds is Martyr, which has raced in stakes, and won at 5 furlongs in :59 $\frac{1}{2}$ at Garden State.

BY JIMMINY'S 1953 book was also outstanding, including the following mares: **DUTCH CUT**, dam of the very fast Dutch Lane and of the Case Ace colt sold for the highest price at Saratoga in 1953; **LITTLE REBEL**, dam of the Preakness winner Bold, also by By Jimminy; **OMAYYA**, dam of Pomayya, Dare Me, Dart By, and Atalanta—all stakes winners; and **POMAYYA**, stakes winner and dam of stakes winner Devilkin.

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